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(57) Abstract

The present invention is directed to novel polypeptides and to nucleic acid molecules encoding those polypeptides. Also provided herein are vectors and host cells comprising those nucleic acid sequences, chimeric polypeptides molecules comprising the polypeptides of the present invention fused to heterologous polypeptide sequences, antibodies which bind to the polypeptides of the present invention and to methods for producing the polypeptides of the present invention.

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SECRETED AND TRANSMEMBRANE POLYPEPTIDES AND NUCLEIC ACIDS ENCODING THE SAME

FIELD OF THE INVENTION

The present invention relates generally to the identification and isolation of novel DNA and to the recombinant production of novel polypeptides encoded by that DNA.

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BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Extracellular and membrane-bound proteins play important roles in the formation, differentiation and maintenance of multicellular organisms. The fate of many individual cells, e.g., proliferation, migration, differentiation, or interaction with other cells, is typically governed by information received from other cells and/or the immediate environment. This information is often transmitted by secreted polypeptides (for instance, mitogenic factors, survival factors, cytotoxic factors, differentiation factors, neuropeptides, and hormones) which are, in turn, received and interpreted by diverse cell receptors or membrane-bound proteins. These secreted polypeptides or signaling molecules normally pass through the cellular secretory pathway to reach their site of action in the extracellular environment, usually at a membrane-bound receptor protein.

Secreted proteins have various industrial applications, including use as pharmaceuticals, diagnostics, biosensors and bioreactors. In fact, most protein drugs available at present, such as thrombolytic agents, interferons, interleukins, erythropoietins, colony stimulating factors, and various other cytokines, are secretory proteins. Their receptors, which are membrane-bound proteins, also have potential as therapeutic or diagnostic agents. Receptor immunoadhesins, for instance, can be employed as therapeutic agents to block receptor-ligand interaction. Membrane-bound proteins can also be employed for screening of potential peptide or small molecule inhibitors of the relevant receptor/ligand interaction. Such membrane-bound proteins and cell receptors include, but are not limited to, cytokine receptors, receptor kinases, receptor phosphatases, receptors involved in cell-cell interactions, and cellular adhesion molecules like selectins and integrins. Transduction of signals that regulate cell growth and differentiation is regulated in part by phosphorylation of various cellular proteins. Protein tyrosine kinases, enzymes that catalyze that process, can also act as growth factor receptors. Examples include fibroblast growth factor receptor and nerve growth factor receptor.

Efforts are being undertaken by both industry and academia to identify new, native secreted and membrane-bound receptor proteins. Many efforts are focused on the screening of mammalian recombinant DNA libraries to identify the coding sequences for novel secreted and membrane-bound receptor proteins. Examples of screening methods and techniques are described in the literature [see, for example, Klein et al., *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci.*, 23:7108-7113 (1996); U.S. Patent No. 5,536,637].

We herein describe the identification and characterization of novel secreted and transmembrane polypeptides and novel nucleic acids encoding those polypeptides.

1. PRO211 and PRO217

Epidermal growth factor (EGF) is a conventional mitogenic factor that stimulates the proliferation of various types of cells including epithelial cells and fibroblasts. EGF binds to and activates the EGF receptor (EGFR), which initiates intracellular signaling and subsequent effects. The EGFR is expressed in neurons of the cerebral cortex, cerebellum, and hippocampus in addition to other regions of the central nervous system (CNS). In addition, EGF is also expressed in various regions of the CNS. Therefore, EGF acts not only on mitotic cells, but also on postmitotic neurons. In fact, many studies have indicated that EGF has neurotrophic or neuromodulatory effects on various types of neurons in the CNS. For example, EGF acts directly on cultured cerebral cortical and cerebellar neurons, enhancing neurite outgrowth and survival. On the other hand, EGF also acts on other cell types, including septal cholinergic and mesencephalic dopaminergic neurons, indirectly through glial cells. Evidence of the effects of EGF on neurons in the CNS is accumulating, but the mechanisms of action remain essentially unknown. EGF-induced signaling in mitotic cells is better understood than in postmitotic neurons. Studies of cloned pheochromocytoma PC12 cells and cultured cerebral cortical neurons have suggested that the EGF-induced neurotrophic actions are mediated by sustained activation of the EGFR and mitogen-activated protein kinase (MAPK) in response to EGF. The sustained intracellular signaling correlates with the decreased rate of EGFR down-regulation, which might determine the response of neuronal cells to EGF. It is likely that EGF is a multi-potent growth factor that acts upon various type of cells including mitotic cells and postmitotic neurons.

EGF is produced by the salivary and Brunner's glands of the gastrointestinal system, kidney, pancreas, thyroid gland, pituitary gland, and the nervous system, and is found in body fluids such as saliva, blood, cerebrospinal fluid (CSF), urine, amniotic fluid, prostatic fluid, pancreatic juice, and breast milk, Plata-Salaman, *Peptides* 12: 653-663 (1991).

EGF is mediated by its membrane specific receptor, which contains an intrinsic tyrosine kinase. Stoscheck *et al.*, *J. Cell Biochem.* 31: 135-152 (1986). EGF is believed to function by binding to the extracellular portion of its receptor which induces a transmembrane signal that activates the intrinsic tyrosine kinase.

Purification and sequence analysis of the EGF-like domain has revealed the presence of six conserved cysteine residues which cross-bind to create three peptide loops, Savage *et al.*, *J. Biol. Chem.* 248: 7669-7672 (1979). It is now generally known that several other peptides can react with the EGF receptor which share the same generalized motif $X_nCX_nCX_nCX_nCX_nGX_nCX_n$, where X represents any non-cysteine amino acid, and n is a variable repeat number. Non isolated peptides having this motif include TGF- α , amphiregulin, schwannoma-derived growth factor (SDGF), heparin-binding EGF-like growth factors and certain virally encoded peptides (e.g., Vaccinia virus, Reisner, *Nature* 313: 801-803 (1985), Shope fibroma virus, Chang *et al.*, *Mol Cell Biol.* 7: 535-540 (1987), Molluscum contagiosum, Porter and Archard, *J. Gen. Virol.* 68: 673-682 (1987), and Myxoma virus, Upton *et al.*, *J. Virol.* 61: 1271-1275 (1987), Prigent and Lemoine, *Prog. Growth Factor Res.* 4: 1-24 (1992).

EGF-like domains are not confined to growth factors but have been observed in a variety of cell-surface and extracellular proteins which have interesting properties in cell adhesion, protein-protein interaction and development. Laurence and Gusterson, *Tumor Biol.* 11: 229-261 (1990). These proteins include blood coagulation factors (factors VI, IX, X, XII, protein C, protein S, protein Z, tissue plasminogen activator, urokinase), extracellular matrix components (laminin, cytotactin, entactin), cell surface receptors (LDL receptor, thrombomodulin receptor) and

immunity-related proteins (complement C1r, uromodulin).

Even more interesting, the general structure pattern of EGF-like precursors is preserved through lower organisms as well as in mammalian cells. A number of genes with developmental significance have been identified in invertebrates with EGF-like repeats. For example, the *notch* gene of *Drosophila* encodes 36 tandemly arranged 40 amino acid repeats which show homology to EGF, Wharton *et al.*, *Cell* **43**: 557-581 (1985). Hydropathy plots indicate a putative membrane spanning domain, with the EGF-related sequences being located on the extracellular side of the membrane. Other homeotic genes with EGF-like repeats include Delta, 95F and 5ZD which were identified using probes based on Notch, and the nematode gene *Lin-12* which encodes a putative receptor for a developmental signal transmitted between two specified cells.

Specifically, EGF has been shown to have potential in the preservation and maintenance of gastrointestinal mucosa and the repair of acute and chronic mucosal lesions, Konturek *et al.*, *Eur. J. Gastroenterol Hepatol.* **7** (10), 933-37 (1995), including the treatment of necrotizing enterocolitis, Zollinger-Ellison syndrome, gastrointestinal ulceration gastrointestinal ulcerations and congenital microvillus atrophy, Guglietta and Sullivan, *Eur. J. Gastroenterol Hepatol.* **7**(10), 945-50 (1995). Additionally, EGF has been implicated in hair follicle differentiation; du Cros, *J. Invest. Dermatol.* **101** (1 Suppl.), 106S-113S (1993), Hillier, *Clin. Endocrinol.* **33**(4), 427-28 (1990); kidney function, Hamm *et al.*, *Semin. Nephrol.* **13** (1): 109-15 (1993), Harris, *Am. J. Kidney Dis.* **17**(6): 627-30 (1991); tear fluid, van Setten *et al.*, *Int. Ophthalmol* **15**(6): 359-62 (1991); vitamin K mediated blood coagulation, Stenflo *et al.*, *Blood* **78**(7): 1637-51 (1991). EGF is also implicated various skin disease characterized by abnormal keratinocyte differentiation, e.g., psoriasis, epithelial cancers such as squamous cell carcinomas of the lung, epidermoid carcinoma of the vulva and gliomas. King *et al.*, *Am. J. Med. Sci.* **296**: 154-158 (1988).

Of great interest is mounting evidence that genetic alterations in growth factors signaling pathways are closely linked to developmental abnormalities and to chronic diseases including cancer. Aaronson, *Science* **254**: 1146-1153 (1991). For example, c-erb-2 (also known as HER-2), a proto-oncogene with close structural similarity to EGF receptor protein, is overexpressed in human breast cancer. King *et al.*, *Science* **229**: 974-976 (1985); Gullick, *Hormones and their actions*, Cooke *et al.*, eds, Amsterdam, Elsevier, pp 349-360 (1986).

We herein describe the identification and characterization of novel polypeptides having homology to EGF, wherein those polypeptides are herein designated PRO211 and PRO217.

2. PRO230

Nephritis is a condition characterized by inflammation of the kidney affecting the structure and normal function of the kidney. This condition can be chronic or acute and is generally caused by infection, degenerative process or vascular disease. In all cases, early detection is desirable so that the patient with nephritis can begin treatment of the condition.

An approach to detecting nephritis is to determine the antigens associated with nephritis and antibodies thereto. In rabbit, a tubulointerstitial nephritis antigen (TIN-ag) has been reported in Nelson, T. R., et al., *J. Biol. Chem.*, **270**(27):16265-70 (July 1995) (GENBANK/U24270). This study reports that the rabbit TIN-ag is a basement membrane glycoprotein having a predicted amino acid sequence which has a carboxyl-terminal region exhibiting 30% homology with human preprocathepsin B, a member of the cystein proteinase family of proteins. It is also reported

that the rabbit TIN-ag has a domain in the amino-terminal region containing an epidermal growth factor-like motif that shares homology with laminin A and S chains, alpha 1 chain of type I collagen, von Willebrand's factor and mucin, indicating structural and functional similarities. Studies have also been conducted in mice. However, it is desirable to identify tubulointerstitial nephritis antigens in humans to aid in the development of early detection methods and treatment of nephritis.

5 Proteins which have homology to tubulointerstitial nephritis antigens are of particular interest to the medical and industrial communities. Often, proteins having homology to each other have similar function. It is also of interest when proteins having homology do not have similar functions, indicating that certain structural motifs identify information other than function, such as locality of function. We herein describe the identification and characterization of a novel polypeptide, designated herein as PRO230, which has homology to tubulointerstitial
10 nephritis antigens.

3. **PRO232**

Stem cells are undifferentiated cells capable of (a) proliferation, (b) self maintenance, (c) the production of a large number of differentiated functional progeny, (d) regeneration of tissue after injury and/or (e) a flexibility in the use of these options. Stem cells often express cell surface antigens which are capable of serving as cell specific markers that can be exploited to identify stem cells, thereby providing a means for identifying and isolating specific stem cell populations.

Having possession of different stem cell populations will allow for a number of important applications. For example, possessing a specific stem cell population will allow for the identification of growth factors and other proteins which are involved in their proliferation and differentiation. In addition, there may be as yet undiscovered proteins which are associated with (1) the early steps of dedication of the stem cell to a particular lineage, (2) prevention of such dedication, and (3) negative control of stem cell proliferation, all of which may be identified if one has possession of the stem cell population. Moreover, stem cells are important and ideal targets for gene therapy where the inserted genes promote the health of the individual into whom the stem cells are transplanted. Finally, stem
20 cells may play important roles in transplantation of organs or tissues, for example liver regeneration and skin grafting.

Given the importance of stem cells in various different applications, efforts are currently being undertaken by both industry and academia to identify new, native stem cell antigen proteins so as to provide specific cell surface markers for identifying stem cell populations as well as for providing insight into the functional roles played by stem
30 cell antigens in cell proliferation and differentiation. We herein describe the identification and characterization of novel polypeptides having homology to a stem cell antigen, wherein those polypeptides are herein designated as PRO232 polypeptides..

4. **PRO187**

35 Growth factors are molecular signals or mediators that enhance cell growth or proliferation, alone or in concert, by binding to specific cell surface receptors. However, there are other cellular reactions than only growth upon expression to growth factors. As a result, growth factors are better characterized as multifunctional and potent

cellular regulators. Their biological effects include proliferation, chemotaxis and stimulation of extracellular matrix production. Growth factors can have both stimulatory and inhibitory effects. For example, transforming growth factor (TGF- β) is highly pleiotropic and can stimulate proliferation in some cells, especially connective tissue, while being a potent inhibitor of proliferation in others, such as lymphocytes and epithelial cells.

5 The physiological effect of growth stimulation or inhibition by growth factors depends upon the state of development and differentiation of the target tissue. The mechanism of local cellular regulation by classical endocrine molecules involves comprehends autocrine (same cell), juxtacrine (neighbor cell), and paracrine (adjacent cells) pathways. Peptide growth factors are elements of a complex biological language, providing the basis for intercellular communication. They permit cells to convey information between each other, mediate interaction between cells and change gene expression. The effect of these multifunctional and pluripotent factors is dependent on the presence or
10 absence of other peptides.

FGF-8 is a member of the fibroblast growth factors (FGFs) which are a family of heparin-binding, potent mitogens for both normal diploid fibroblasts and established cell lines, Gospodarowicz *et al.* (1984), *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 81:6963. The FGF family comprises acidic FGF (FGF-1), basic FGF (FGF-2), INT-2 (FGF-3), K-
15 FGF/HST (FGF-4), FGF-5, FGF-6, KGF (FGF-7), AIGF (FGF-8) among others. All FGFs have two conserved cysteine residues and share 30-50% sequence homology at the amino acid level. These factors are mitogenic for a wide variety of normal diploid mesoderm-derived and neural crest-derived cells, including granulosa cells, adrenal cortical cells, chondrocytes, myoblasts, corneal and vascular endothelial cells (bovine or human), vascular smooth muscle cells, lens, retina and prostatic epithelial cells, oligodendrocytes, astrocytes, chondrocytes, myoblasts and osteoblasts.

20 Fibroblast growth factors can also stimulate a large number of cell types in a non-mitogenic manner. These activities include promotion of cell migration into wound area (chemotaxis), initiation of new blood vessel formulation (angiogenesis), modulation of nerve regeneration and survival (neurotrophism), modulation of endocrine functions, and stimulation or suppression of specific cellular protein expression, extracellular matrix production and cell survival. Baird & Bohlen, *Handbook of Exp. Pharmacol.* 95(1): 369-418, Springer, (1990). These properties provide
25 a basis for using fibroblast growth factors in therapeutic approaches to accelerate wound healing, nerve repair, collateral blood vessel formation, and the like. For example, fibroblast growth factors have been suggested to minimize myocardium damage in heart disease and surgery (U.S.P. 4,378,347).

FGF-8, also known as androgen-induced growth factor (AIGF), is a 215 amino acid protein which shares 30-40% sequence homology with the other members of the FGF family. FGF-8 has been proposed to be under
30 androgenic regulation and induction in the mouse mammary carcinoma cell line SC3. Tanaka *et al.*, *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 89: 8928-8932 (1992); Sato *et al.*, *J. Steroid Biochem. Molec. Biol.* 47: 91-98 (1993). As a result, FGF-8 may have a local role in the prostate, which is known to be an androgen-responsive organ. FGF-8 can also be oncogenic, as it displays transforming activity when transfected into NIH-3T3 fibroblasts. Kouhara *et al.*, *Oncogene* 9 455-462 (1994). While FGF-8 has been detected in heart, brain, lung, kidney, testis, prostate and ovary,
35 expression was also detected in the absence of exogenous androgens. Schmitt *et al.*, *J. Steroid Biochem. Mol. Biol.* 57 (3-4): 173-78 (1996).

FGF-8 shares the property with several other FGFs of being expressed at a variety of stages of murine embryogenesis, which supports the theory that the various FGFs have multiple and perhaps coordinated roles in differentiation and embryogenesis. Moreover, FGF-8 has also been identified as a protooncogene that cooperates with Wnt-1 in the process of mammary tumorigenesis (Shackelford *et al.*, *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* **90**, 740-744 (1993); Heikinheimo *et al.*, *Mech. Dev.* **48**: 129-138 (1994)).

In contrast to the other FGFs, FGF-8 exists as three protein isoforms, as a result of alternative splicing of the primary transcript. Tanaka *et al.*, *supra*. Normal adult expression of FGF-8 is weak and confined to gonadal tissue, however northern blot analysis has indicated that FGF-8 mRNA is present from day 10 through day 12 of murine gestation, which suggests that FGF-8 is important to normal development. Heikinheimo *et al.*, *Mech. Dev.* **48**(2): 129-38 (1994). Further *in situ* hybridization assays between day 8 and 16 of gestation indicated initial expression in the surface ectoderm of the first bronchial arches, the frontonasal process, the forebrain and the midbrain-hindbrain junction. At days 10-12, FGF-8 was expressed in the surface ectoderm of the forelimb and hindlimb buds, the nasal pits and nasopharynx, the infundibulum and in the telencephalon, diencephalon and metencephalon. Expression continues in the developing hindlimbs through day 13 of gestation, but is undetectable thereafter. The results suggest that FGF-8 has a unique temporal and spatial pattern in embryogenesis and suggests a role for this growth factor in multiple regions of ectodermal differentiation in the post-gastrulation embryo.

We herein describe the identification of novel polypeptides having homology to FGF-8, wherein those polypeptides are herein designated PRO187 polypeptides.

5. PRO265

Protein-protein interactions include receptor and antigen complexes and signaling mechanisms. As more is known about the structural and functional mechanisms underlying protein-protein interactions, protein-protein interactions can be more easily manipulated to regulate the particular result of the protein-protein interaction. Thus, the underlying mechanisms of protein-protein interactions are of interest to the scientific and medical community.

All proteins containing leucine-rich repeats are thought to be involved in protein-protein interactions.

Leucine-rich repeats are short sequence motifs present in a number of proteins with diverse functions and cellular locations. The crystal structure of ribonuclease inhibitor protein has revealed that leucine-rich repeats correspond to beta-alpha structural units. These units are arranged so that they form a parallel beta-sheet with one surface exposed to solvent, so that the protein acquires an unusual, nonglobular shape. These two features have been indicated as responsible for the protein-binding functions of proteins containing leucine-rich repeats. See, Kobe and Deisenhofer, *Trends Biochem. Sci.*, **19**(10):415-421 (Oct. 1994).

A study has been reported on leucine-rich proteoglycans which serve as tissue organizers, orienting and ordering collagen fibrils during ontogeny and are involved in pathological processes such as wound healing, tissue repair, and tumor stroma formation. Iozzo, R. V., *Crit. Rev. Biochem. Mol. Biol.*, **32**(2):141-174 (1997). Others studies implicating leucine rich proteins in wound healing and tissue repair are De La Salle, C., *et al.*, *Youv. Rev. Et. Hematol.* (Germany), **37**(4):215-222 (1995), reporting mutations in the leucine rich motif in a complex associated with the bleeding disorder Bernard-Soulier syndrome and Chlemenson, K. J., *Thromb. Haemost.* (Germany), **74**(1):111-116 (July 1995), reporting that platelets have leucine rich repeats. Another protein of particular interest

which has been reported to have leucine-rich repeats is the SLIT protein which has been reported to be useful in treating neuro-degenerative diseases such as Alzheimer's disease, nerve damage such as in Parkinson's disease, and for diagnosis of cancer, see, Artavanisakis, S. and Rothberg, J. M., WO9210518-A1 by Yale University. Other studies reporting on the biological functions of proteins having leucine-rich repeats include: Tayar, N., et al., Mol. Cell Endocrinol., (Ireland), 125(1-2):65-70 (Dec. 1996) (gonadotropin receptor involvement); Miura, Y., et al., Nippon Rinsho (Japan), 54(7):1784-1789 (July 1996) (apoptosis involvement); Harris, P. C., et al., J. Am. Soc. Nephrol., 6(4):1125-1133 (Oct. 1995) (kidney disease involvement); and Ruoslahti, E. I., et al., WO9110727-A by La Jolla Cancer Research Foundation (decorin binding to transforming growth factor- β involvement for treatment for cancer, wound healing and scarring). Also of particular interest is fibromodulin and its use to prevent or reduce dermal scarring. A study of fibromodulin is found in U.S. Patent No. 5,654,270 to Ruoslahti, et al.

Efforts are therefore being undertaken by both industry and academia to identify new proteins having leucine rich repeats to better understand protein-protein interactions. Of particular interest are those proteins having leucine rich repeats and homology to known proteins having leucine rich repeats such as fibromodulin, the SLIT protein and platelet glycoprotein V. Many efforts are focused on the screening of mammalian recombinant DNA libraries to identify the coding sequences for novel secreted and membrane-bound proteins having leucine rich repeats. We herein describe the identification and characterization of novel polypeptides having homology to fibromodulin, herein designated as PRO265 polypeptides.

6. PRO219

Human matrilin-2 polypeptide is a member of the von Willebrand factor type A-like module superfamily. von Willebrand factor is a protein which plays an important role in the maintenance of hemostasis. More specifically, von Willebrand factor is a protein which is known to participate in platelet-vessel wall interactions at the site of vascular injury via its ability to interact and form a complex with Factor VIII. The absence of von Willebrand factor in the blood causes an abnormality with the blood platelets that prevents platelet adhesion to the vascular wall at the site of the vascular injury. The result is the propensity for bruising, nose bleeds, intestinal bleeding, and the like comprising von Willebrand's disease.

Given the physiological importance of the blood clotting factors, efforts are currently being undertaken by both industry and academia to identify new, native proteins which may be involved in the coagulation process. We herein describe the identification of a novel full-length polypeptide which possesses homology to the human matrilin-2 precursor polypeptide.

7. PRO246

The cell surface protein HCAR is a membrane-bound protein that acts as a receptor for subgroup C of the adenoviruses and subgroup B of the coxsackieviruses. Thus, HCAR may provide a means for mediating viral infection of cells in that the presence of the HCAR receptor on the cellular surface provides a binding site for viral particles, thereby facilitating viral infection.

In light of the physiological importance of membrane-bound proteins and specifically those which serve a cell surface receptor for viruses, efforts are currently being undertaken by both industry and academia to identify

new, native membrane-bound receptor proteins. Many of these efforts are focused on the screening of mammalian recombinant DNA libraries to identify the coding sequences for novel receptor proteins. We herein describe a novel membrane-bound polypeptide (designated herein as PRO246) having homology to the cell surface protein HCAR and to various tumor antigens including A33 and carcinoembryonic antigen, wherein this polypeptide may be a novel cell surface virus receptor or tumor antigen.

8. PRO228

There are a number of known seven transmembrane proteins and within this family is a group which includes CD97 and EMR1. CD97 is a seven-span transmembrane receptor which has a cellular ligand, CD55, DAF. Hamann, et al., *J. Exp. Med.* (U.S.), 184(3):1189 (1996). Additionally, CD97 has been reported as being a dedifferentiation marker in human thyroid carcinomas and as associated with inflammation. Aust, et al., *Cancer Res.* (U.S.), 57(9):1798 (1997); Gray, et al., *J. Immunol.* (U.S.), 157(12):5438 (1996). CD97 has also been reported as being related to the secretin receptor superfamily, but unlike known members of that family, CD97 and EMR1 have extended extracellular regions that possess several EGF domains at the N-terminus. Hamann, et al., *Genomics*, 32(1):144 (1996); Hamann, et al., *J. Immunol.*, 155(4):1942 (1995). EMR1 is further described in Lin, et al., *Genomics*, 41(3):301 (1997) and Baud, et al., *Genomics*, 26(2):334 (1995). While CD97 and EMR1 appear to be related to the secretin receptors, a known member of the secretin family of G protein-coupled receptors includes the alpha-latroxin receptor, latrophilin, which has been described as calcium independent and abundant among neuronal tissues. Lelianaova, et al., *J. Biol. Chem.*, 272(34), 21504 (1997); Davletov, et al., *J. Biol. Chem.* (U.S.), 271(38):23239 (1996). Both members of the secretin receptor superfamily and non-members which are related to the secretin receptor superfamily, or CRF and calcitonin receptors are of interest. In particular, new members of these families, identified by their homology to known proteins, are of interest.

Efforts are being undertaken by both industry and academia to identify new membrane-bound receptor proteins, particularly transmembrane proteins with EGF repeats and large N-terminuses which may belong to the family of seven-transmembrane proteins of which CD97 and EMR1 are members. We herein describe the identification and characterization of novel polypeptides having homology to CD97 and EMR1, designated herein as PRO228 polypeptides.

9. PRO533

Growth factors are molecular signals or mediators that enhance cell growth or proliferation, alone or in concert, by binding to specific cell surface receptors. However, there are other cellular reactions than only growth upon expression to growth factors. As a result, growth factors are better characterized as multifunctional and potent cellular regulators. Their biological effects include proliferation, chemotaxis and stimulation of extracellular matrix production. Growth factors can have both stimulatory and inhibitory effects. For example, transforming growth factors (TGF- β) is highly pleiotropic and can stimulate proliferation in some cells, especially connective tissues, while being a potent inhibitor of proliferation in others, such as lymphocytes and epithelial cells.

The physiological effect of growth stimulation or inhibition by growth factors depends upon the state of development and differentiation of the target tissue. The mechanism of local cellular regulation by classical endocrine

molecules comprehends autocrine (same cell), juxtacrine (neighbor cell), and paracrine (adjacent cell) pathways. Peptide growth factors are elements of a complex biological language, providing the basis for intercellular communication. They permit cells to convey information between each other, mediate interaction between cells and change gene expression. The effect of these multifunctional and pluripotent factors is dependent on the presence or absence of other peptides.

5 Fibroblast growth factors (FGFs) are a family of heparin-binding, potent mitogens for both normal diploid fibroblasts and established cell lines, Godpodarowicz, D. et al. (1984), Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 81: 6983. The FGF family comprises acidic FGF (FGF-1), basic FGF (FGF-2), bFGF (FGF-3), K-FGF/HST (FGF-4), FGF-5, FGF-6, KGF (FGF-7), AIGF (FGF-8) among others. All FGFs have two conserved cysteine residues and share 30-50% sequence homology at the amino acid level. These factors are mitogenic for a wide variety of normal diploid mesoderm-derived
10 and neural crest-derived cells, inducing granulosa cells, adrenal cortical cells, chondrocytes, myoblasts, corneal and vascular endothelial cells (bovine or human), vascular smooth muscle cells, lens, retina and prostatic epithelial cells, oligodendrocytes, astrocytes, chondrocytes, myoblasts and osteoblasts.

Fibroblast growth factors can also stimulate a large number of cell types in a non-mitogenic manner. These activities include promotion of cell migration into a wound area (chemotaxis), initiation of new blood vessel formation (angiogenesis), modulation of nerve regeneration and survival (neurotrophism), modulation of endocrine functions, and stimulation or suppression of specific cellular protein expression, extracellular matrix production and cell survival. Baird, A. & Bohlen, P., *Handbook of Exp. Pharmacol.* 95(1): 369-418 (1990). These properties provide a basis for using fibroblast growth factors in therapeutic approaches to accelerate wound healing, nerve repair, collateral blood vessel formation, and the like. For example, fibroblast growth factors, have been suggested to minimize myocardium
20 damage in heart disease and surgery (U.S.P. 4,378,437).

We herein describe the identification and characterization of novel polypeptides having homology to FGF, herein designated PRO533 polypeptides.

10. **PRO245**

25 Some of the most important proteins involved in the above described regulation and modulation of cellular processes are the enzymes which regulate levels of protein phosphorylation in the cell. For example, it is known that the transduction of signals that regulate cell growth and differentiation is regulated at least in part by phosphorylation and dephosphorylation of various cellular proteins. The enzymes that catalyze these processes include the protein kinases, which function to phosphorylate various cellular proteins, and the protein phosphatases, which function to
30 remove phosphate residues from various cellular proteins. The balance of the level of protein phosphorylation in the cell is thus mediated by the relative activities of these two types of enzymes.

Although many protein kinase enzymes have been identified, the physiological role played by many of these catalytic proteins has yet to be elucidated. It is well known, however, that a number of the known protein kinases function to phosphorylate tyrosine residues in proteins, thereby leading to a variety of different effects. Perhaps most
35 importantly, there has been a great deal of interest in the protein tyrosine kinases since the discovery that many oncogene products and growth factors possess intrinsic protein tyrosine kinase activity. There is, therefore, a desire to identify new members of the protein tyrosine kinase family.

Given the physiological importance of the protein kinases, efforts are being undertaken by both industry and academia to identify new, native kinase proteins. Many of these efforts are focused on the screening of mammalian recombinant DNA libraries to identify the coding sequences for novel kinase proteins. We herein describe the identification and characterization of novel polypeptides having homology to tyrosine kinase proteins, designated herein as PRO245 polypeptides.

11. PRO220, PRO221 and PRO227

Protein-protein interactions include receptor and antigen complexes and signaling mechanisms. As more is known about the structural and functional mechanisms underlying protein-protein interactions, protein-protein interactions can be more easily manipulated to regulate the particular result of the protein-protein interaction. Thus, the underlying mechanisms of protein-protein interactions are of interest to the scientific and medical community.

All proteins containing leucine-rich repeats are thought to be involved in protein-protein interactions. Leucine-rich repeats are short sequence motifs present in a number of proteins with diverse functions and cellular locations. The crystal structure of ribonuclease inhibitor protein has revealed that leucine-rich repeats correspond to beta-alpha structural units. These units are arranged so that they form a parallel beta-sheet with one surface exposed to solvent, so that the protein acquires an unusual, nonglobular shape. These two features have been indicated as responsible for the protein-binding functions of proteins containing leucine-rich repeats. See, Kobe and Deisenhofer, Trends Biochem. Sci., 19(10):415-421 (Oct. 1994).

A study has been reported on leucine-rich proteoglycans which serve as tissue organizers, orienting and ordering collagen fibrils during ontogeny and are involved in pathological processes such as wound healing, tissue repair, and tumor stroma formation. Iozzo, R. V., Crit. Rev. Biochem. Mol. Biol., 32(2):141-174 (1997). Others studies implicating leucine rich proteins in wound healing and tissue repair are De La Salle, C., et al., Vouv. Rev. Fr. Hematol. (Germany), 37(4):215-222 (1995), reporting mutations in the leucine rich motif in a complex associated with the bleeding disorder Bernard-Soulier syndrome and Chienetson, K. J., Thromb. Haemost. (Germany), 74(1):111-116 (July 1995), reporting that platelets have leucine rich repeats. Another protein of particular interest which has been reported to have leucine-rich repeats is the SLIT protein which has been reported to be useful in treating neuro-degenerative diseases such as Alzheimer's disease, nerve damage such as in Parkinson's disease, and for diagnosis of cancer, see, Artavanisakonas, S. and Rothberg, J. M., WO9210518-A1 by Yale University. Other studies reporting on the biological functions of proteins having leucine-rich repeats include: Tayar, N., et al., Mol. Cell Endocrinol., (Ireland), 125(1-2):65-70 (Dec. 1996) (gonadotropin receptor involvement); Miura, Y., et al., Nippon Rinsho (Japan), 54(7):1784-1789 (July 1996) (apoptosis involvement); Harris, P. C., et al., J. Am. Soc. Nephrol., 6(4):1125-1133 (Oct. 1995) (kidney disease involvement); and Ruoslahti, E. I., et al., WO9110727-A by La Jolla Cancer Research Foundation (decorin binding to transforming growth factor β involvement for treatment for cancer, wound healing and scarring).

Efforts are therefore being undertaken by both industry and academia to identify new proteins having leucine rich repeats to better understand protein-protein interactions. Of particular interest are those proteins having leucine rich repeats and homology to known proteins having leucine rich repeats such as the SLIT protein and platelet glycoprotein V.

12. **PRO258**

Immunoglobulins are antibody molecules, the proteins that function both as receptors for antigen on the B-cell membrane and as the secreted products of the plasma cell. Like all antibody molecules, immunoglobulins perform two major functions: they bind specifically to an antigen and they participate in a limited number of biological effector functions. Therefore, new members of the Ig superfamily are always of interest. Molecules which act as receptors by various viruses and those which act to regulate immune function are of particular interest. Also of particular interest are those molecules which have homology to known Ig family members which act as virus receptors or regulate immune function. Thus, molecules having homology to poliovirus receptors, CRTAM and CD166 (a ligand for lymphocyte antigen CD6) are of particular interest.

Extracellular and membrane-bound proteins play important roles in the formation, differentiation and maintenance of multicellular organisms. The fate of many individual cells, e.g., proliferation, migration, differentiation, or interaction with other cells, is typically governed by information received from other cells and/or the immediate environment. This information is often transmitted by secreted polypeptides (for instance, mitogenic factors, survival factors, cytotoxic factors, differentiation factors, neuropeptides, and hormones) which are, in turn, received and interpreted by diverse cell receptors or membrane-bound proteins. These secreted polypeptides or signaling molecules normally pass through the cellular secretory pathway to reach their site of action in the extracellular environment, usually at a membrane-bound receptor protein.

We herein describe the identification and characterization of novel polypeptides having homology to CRTAM, designated herein as PRO258 polypeptides.

13. **PRO266**

Protein-protein interactions include receptor and antigen complexes and signaling mechanisms. As more is known about the structural and functional mechanisms underlying protein-protein interactions, protein-protein interactions can be more easily manipulated to regulate the particular result of the protein-protein interaction. Thus, the underlying mechanisms of protein-protein interactions are of interest to the scientific and medical community.

All proteins containing leucine-rich repeats are thought to be involved in protein-protein interactions. Leucine-rich repeats are short sequence motifs present in a number of proteins with diverse functions and cellular locations. The crystal structure of ribonuclease inhibitor protein has revealed that leucine-rich repeats correspond to beta-alpha structural units. These units are arranged so that they form a parallel beta-sheet with one surface exposed to solvent, so that the protein acquires an unusual, nonglobular shape. These two features have been indicated as responsible for the protein-binding functions of proteins containing leucine-rich repeats. See, Kobe and Deisenhofer, *Trends Biochem. Sci.*, 19(10):415-421 (Oct. 1994).

A study has been reported on leucine-rich proteoglycans which serve as tissue organizers, orienting and ordering collagen fibrils during ontogeny and are involved in pathological processes such as wound healing, tissue repair, and tumor stroma formation. Iozzo, R. V., *Crit. Rev. Biochem. Mol. Biol.*, 32(2):141-174 (1997). Others studies implicating leucine rich proteins in wound healing and tissue repair are De La Salle, C., et al., *Youv. Rev. Fr. Hematol.* (Germany), 37(4):215-222 (1995), reporting mutations in the leucine rich motif in a complex associated with the bleeding disorder Bernard-Soulier syndrome and Chlemetson, K. J., *Thromb. Haemost.* (Germany),

74(1):111-116 (July 1995), reporting that platelets have leucine rich repeats. Another protein of particular interest which has been reported to have leucine-rich repeats is the SLIT protein which has been reported to be useful in treating neuro-degenerative diseases such as Alzheimer's disease, nerve damage such as in Parkinson's disease, and for diagnosis of cancer, see, Artavanisakonas, S. and Rothberg, J. M., WO9210518-A1 by Yale University. Other studies reporting on the biological functions of proteins having leucine-rich repeats include: Tayar, N., et al., Mol. Cell Endocrinol., (Ireland), 125(1-2):65-70 (Dec. 1996) (gonadotropin receptor involvement); Miura, Y., et al., Nippon Rinsho (Japan), 54(7):1784-1789 (July 1996) (apoptosis involvement); Harris, P. C., et al., J. Am. Soc. Nephrol., 6(4):1125-1133 (Oct. 1995) (kidney disease involvement); and Ruoslahti, E. I., et al., WO9110727-A by La Jolla Cancer Research Foundation (decorin binding to transforming growth factor β involvement for treatment for cancer, wound healing and scarring).

Efforts are therefore being undertaken by both industry and academia to identify new proteins having leucine rich repeats to better understand protein-protein interactions, neuronal development and adhesion molecules. Of particular interest are those proteins having leucine rich repeats and homology to known proteins having leucine rich repeats such as the SLIT protein. We herein describe novel polypeptides having homology to SLIT, designated herein as PRO266 polypeptides.

14. PRO269

Thrombomodulin binds to and regulates the activity of thrombin. It is important in the control of blood coagulation. Thrombomodulin functions as a natural anticoagulant by accelerating the activation of protein C by thrombin. Soluble thrombomodulin may have therapeutic use as an antithrombotic agent with reduced risk for hemorrhage as compared with heparin. Thrombomodulin is a cell surface trans-membrane glycoprotein, present on endothelial cells and platelets. A smaller, functionally active form of thrombomodulin circulates in the plasma and is also found in urine. (In Haeberli, A., Human Protein Data, VCH Gmbh., N.Y., 1992). Peptides having homology to thrombomodulin are particularly desirable.

We herein describe the identification and characterization of novel polypeptides having homology to thrombomodulin, designated herein as PRO269 polypeptides.

15. PRO287

Procollagen C-proteinase enhancer protein binds to and enhances the activity of bone morphogenic protein "BMP1"/procollagen C-proteinase (PCP). It plays a role in extracellular matrix deposition. BMP1 proteins may be used to induce bone and/or cartilage formation and in wound healing and tissue repair. Therefore, procollagen C-proteinase enhancer protein, BMP1 and proteins having homology thereto, are of interest to the scientific and medical communities.

We herein describe the identification and characterization of novel polypeptides having homology to procollagen C-proteinase enhancer protein precursor and procollagen C-proteinase enhancer protein, designated herein as PRO287 polypeptides.

16. PRO214

Growth factors are molecular signals or mediators that enhances cell growth or proliferation, alone or in concert, by binding to specific cell surface receptors. However, there are other cellular reactions than only growth upon expression to growth factors. As a result, growth factors are better characterized as multifunctional and potent cellular regulators. Their biological effects include proliferation, chemotaxis and stimulation of extracellular matrix production. Growth factors can have both stimulatory and inhibitory effects. For example, transforming growth factor β (TGF- β) is highly pleiotropic and can stimulate proliferation in some cells, especially connective tissue, while being a potent inhibitor of proliferation in others, such as lymphocytes and epithelial cells.

The physiological effect of growth stimulation or inhibition by growth factors depends upon the state of development and differentiation of the target tissue. The mechanism of local cellular regulation by classical endocrine molecules involves comprehends autocrine (same cell), juxtacrine (neighbor cell), and paracrine (adjacent cells) pathways. Peptide growth factors are elements of a complex biological language, providing the basis for intercellular communication. They permit cells to convey information between each other, mediate interaction between cells and change gene expression. The effect of these multifunctional and pluripotent factors is dependent on the presence or absence of other peptides.

Epidermal growth factor (EGF) is a conventional mitogenic factor that stimulates the proliferation of various types of cells including epithelial cells and fibroblasts. EGF binds to and activates the EGF receptor (EGFR), which initiates intracellular signaling and subsequent effects. The EGFR is expressed in neurons of the cerebral cortex, cerebellum, and hippocampus in addition to other regions of the central nervous system (CNS). In addition, EGF is also expressed in various regions of the CNS. Therefore, EGF acts not only on mitotic cells, but also on postmitotic neurons. In fact, many studies have indicated that EGF has neurotrophic or neuromodulatory effects on various types of neurons in the CNS. For example, EGF acts directly on cultured cerebral cortical and cerebellar neurons, enhancing neurite outgrowth and survival. On the other hand, EGF also acts on other cell types, including septal cholinergic and mesencephalic dopaminergic neurons, indirectly through glial cells. Evidence of the effects of EGF on neurons in the CNS is accumulating, but the mechanisms of action remain essentially unknown. EGF-induced signaling in mitotic cells is better understood than in postmitotic neurons. Studies of cloned pheochromocytoma PC12 cells and cultured cerebral cortical neurons have suggested that the EGF-induced neurotrophic actions are mediated by sustained activation of the EGFR and mitogen-activated protein kinase (MAPK) in response to EGF. The sustained intracellular signaling correlates with the decreased rate of EGFR down-regulation, which might determine the response of neuronal cells to EGF. It is likely that EGF is a multi-potent growth factor that acts upon various types of cells including mitotic cells and postmitotic neurons.

EGF is produced by the salivary and Brunner's glands of the gastrointestinal system, kidney, pancreas, thyroid gland, pituitary gland, and the nervous system, and is found in body fluids such as saliva, blood, cerebrospinal fluid (CSF), urine, amniotic fluid, prostatic fluid, pancreatic juice, and breast milk, Plata-Salaman, CR *Peptides* 12: 653-663 (1991).

EGF is mediated by its membrane specific receptor, which contains an intrinsic tyrosine kinase. Stoscheck CM *et al.*, *J. Cell Biochem.* 31: 135-152 (1986). EGF is believed to function by binding to the extracellular portion of its receptor which induces a transmembrane signal that activates the intrinsic tyrosine kinase.

Purification and sequence analysis of the EGF-like domain has revealed the presence of six conserved cysteine residues which cross-bind to create three peptide loops. Savage CR *et al.*, *J. Biol. Chem.* **248**: 7669-7672 (1979). It is now generally known that several other peptides can react with the EGF receptor which share the same generalized motif $X_nCX_nCX_nCX_nGX_nCX_n$, where X represents any non-cysteine amino acid, and n is a variable repeat number. Non isolated peptides having this motif include TGF- α , amphiregulin, schwannoma-derived growth factor (SDGF), heparin-binding EGF-like growth factors and certain virally encoded peptides (e.g., Vaccinia virus, Reisner AH, *Nature* **313**: 801-803 (1985), Shope fibroma virus, Chang W., *et al.*, *Mol Cell Biol.* **7**: 535-540 (1987), Molluscum contagiosum, Porter CD & Archard LC, *J. Gen. Virol.* **68**: 673-682 (1987), and Myxoma virus, Upton C *et al.*, *J. Virol.* **61**: 1271-1275 (1987). Prigent SA & Lemoine N.R., *Prog. Growth Factor Res.* **4**: 1-24 (1992).

EGF-like domains are not confined to growth factors but have been observed in a variety of cell-surface and extracellular proteins which have interesting properties in cell adhesion, protein-protein interaction and development, Laurence DJR & Gusterson BA, *Tumor Biol.* **11**: 229-261 (1990). These proteins include blood coagulation factors (factors VI, IX, X, XII, protein C, protein S, protein Z, tissue plasminogen activator, urokinase), extracellular matrix components (laminin, cytactin, entactin), cell surface receptors (LDL receptor, thrombomodulin receptor) and immunity-related proteins (complement C1r, uromodulin).

Even more interesting, the general structure pattern of EGF-like precursors is preserved through lower organisms as well as in mammalian cells. A number of genes with developmental significance have been identified in invertebrates with EGF-like repeats. For example, the *notch* gene of *Drosophila* encodes 36 tandemly arranged 40 amino acid repeats which show homology to EGF, Wharton W *et al.*, *Cell* **43**: 557-581 (1985). Hydropathy plots indicate a putative membrane spanning domain, with the EGF-related sequences being located on the extracellular side of the membrane. Other homeotic genes with EGF-like repeats include Delta, 95F and SZD which were identified using probes based on Notch, and the nematode gene *Lin-12* which encodes a putative receptor for a developmental signal transmitted between two specified cells.

Specifically, EGF has been shown to have potential in the preservation and maintenance of gastrointestinal mucosa and the repair of acute and chronic mucosal lesions, Konturek, PC *et al.*, *Eur. J. Gastroenterol Hepatol.* **7** (10), 933-37 (1995), including the treatment of necrotizing enterocolitis, Zollinger-Ellison syndrome, gastrointestinal ulceration gastrointestinal ulcerations and congenital microvillus atrophy, A. Guglietta & PB Sullivan, *Eur. J. Gastroenterol Hepatol.* **7**(10), 945-50 (1995). Additionally, EGF has been implicated in hair follicle differentiation; C.L. du Cros, *J. Invest. Dermatol.* **101** (1 Suppl.), 106S-113S (1993), SG Hillier, *Clin. Endocrinol.* **33**(4), 427-28 (1990); kidney function, L.L. Hamm *et al.*, *Semin. Nephrol.* **13** (1): 109-15 (1993), RC Harris, *Am. J. Kidney Dis.* **17**(6): 627-30 (1991); tear fluid, GB van Setten *et al.*, *Int. Ophthalmol.* **15**(6): 359-62 (1991); vitamin K mediated blood coagulation, J. Stenflo *et al.*, *Blood* **78**(7): 1637-51 (1991). EGF is also implicated various skin disease characterized by abnormal keratinocyte differentiation, e.g., psoriasis, epithelial cancers such as squamous cell carcinomas of the lung, epidermoid carcinoma of the vulva and gliomas. King, LE *et al.*, *Am. J. Med. Sci.* **296**: 154-158 (1988).

Of great interest is mounting evidence that genetic alterations in growth factors signaling pathways are closely linked to developmental abnormalities and to chronic diseases including cancer. Aaronson SA, *Science* **254**:

1146-1153 (1991). For example, c-erb-2 (also known as HER-2), a proto-oncogene with close structural similarity to EGF receptor protein, is overexpressed in human breast cancer. King *et al.*, *Science* **229**: 974-976 (1985); Gullick, WJ, *Hormones and their actions*, Cooke BA *et al.*, eds, Amsterdam, Elsevier, pp 349-360 (1986).

17. PRO317

5 The TGF- β supergene family, or simply TGF- β superfamily, a group of secreted proteins, includes a large number of related growth and differentiation factors expressed in virtually all phyla. Superfamily members bind to specific cell surface receptors that activate signal transduction mechanisms to elicit their multifunctional cytokine effects. Kolodziejczyk and Hall, *Biochem. Cell. Biol.*, **74**: 299-314 (1996); Aulisano and Wrana, *Cytokine Growth Factor Rev.*, **7**: 327-339 (1996); and Hill, *Cellular Signaling*, **8**: 533-544 (1996).

10 Members of this family include five distinct forms of TGF- β (Sporn and Roberts, in *Peptide Growth Factors and Their Receptors*, Sporn and Roberts, eds. (Springer-Verlag: Berlin, 1990) pp. 419-472), as well as the differentiation factors vgl (Weeks and Melton, *Cell*, **51**: 861-867 (1987)) and DPP-C polypeptide (Padgett *et al.*, *Nature*, **325**: 81-84 (1987)), the hormones activin and inhibin (Mason *et al.*, *Nature*, **318**: 659-663 (1985); Mason *et al.*, *Growth Factors*, **1**: 77-88 (1987)), the Mullerian-inhibiting substance (MIS) (Cate *et al.*, *Cell*, **45**: 685-698 (1986)), the bone morphogenetic proteins (BMPs) (Wozney *et al.*, *Science*, **242**: 1528-1534 (1988); PCT WO 88/00205 published January 14, 1988; U.S. 4,877,864 issued October 31, 1989), the developmentally regulated proteins Vgr-1 (Lyons *et al.*, *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA*, **86**: 4554-4558 (1989)) and Vgr-2 (Jones *et al.*, *Molec. Endocrinol.*, **6**: 1961-1968 (1992)), the mouse growth differentiation factor (GDF), such as GDF-3 and GDF-9 (Kingsley, *Genes Dev.*, **8**: 133-146 (1994); McPherron and Lee, *J. Biol. Chem.*, **268**: 3444-3449 (1993)), the mouse lefty/Stral (Meno *et al.*, *Nature*, **381**: 151-155 (1996); Bouillet *et al.*, *Dev. Biol.*, **170**: 420-433 (1995)), glial cell line-derived neurotrophic factor (GDNF) (Lin *et al.*, *Science*, **260**: 1130-1132 (1993)), neurturin (Kotzbauer *et al.*, *Nature*, **384**: 467-470 (1996)), and endometrial bleeding-associated factor (EBAF) (Kothapalli *et al.*, *J. Clin. Invest.*, **99**: 2342-2350 (1997)). The subset BMP-2A and BMP-2B is approximately 75% homologous in sequence to DPP-C and may represent the mammalian equivalent of that protein.

25 The proteins of the TGF- β superfamily are disulfide-linked homo- or heterodimers encoded by larger precursor polypeptide chains containing a hydrophobic signal sequence, a long and relatively poorly conserved N-terminal pro region of several hundred amino acids, a cleavage site (usually polybasic), and a shorter and more highly conserved C-terminal region. This C-terminal region corresponds to the processed mature protein and contains approximately 100 amino acids with a characteristic cysteine motif, *i.e.*, the conservation of seven of the nine cysteine residues of TGF- β among all known family members. Although the position of the cleavage site between the mature and pro regions varies among the family members, the C-terminus of all of the proteins is in the identical position, ending in the sequence Cys-X-Cys-X, but differing in every case from the TGF- β consensus C-terminus of Cys-Lys-Cys-Ser. Sporn and Roberts, 1990, *supra*.

35 There are at least five forms of TGF- β currently identified, TGF- β 1, TGF- β 2, TGF- β 3, TGF- β 4, and TGF- β 5. The activated form of TGF- β 1 is a homodimer formed by dimerization of the carboxy-terminal 112 amino acids of a 390 amino acid precursor. Recombinant TGF- β 1 has been cloned (Derynck *et al.*, *Nature*, **316**: 701-705 (1985)) and expressed in Chinese hamster ovary cells (Gentry *et al.*, *Mol. Cell. Biol.*, **7**: 3418-3427 (1987)). Additionally,

recombinant human TGF- β 2 (deMartin *et al.*, EMBO J., 6: 3673 (1987)), as well as human and porcine TGF- β 3 (Derynck *et al.*, EMBO J., 7: 3737-3743 (1988); ten Dijke *et al.*, Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA, 85: 4715 (1988)) have been cloned. TGF- β 2 has a precursor form of 414 amino acids and is also processed to a homodimer from the carboxy-terminal 112 amino acids that shares approximately 70% homology with the active form of TGF- β 1 (Marquardt *et al.*, J. Biol. Chem., 262: 12127 (1987)). See also EP 200,341; 169,016; 268,561; and 267,463; U.S. Pat. No. 4,774,322; Cheifetz *et al.*, Cell, 48: 409-415 (1987); Jakowlew *et al.*, Molecular Endocrin., 2: 747-755 (1988); Derynck *et al.*, J. Biol. Chem., 261: 4377-4379 (1986); Sharples *et al.*, DNA, 6: 239-244 (1987); Derynck *et al.*, Nucl. Acids. Res., 15: 3188-3189 (1987); Derynck *et al.*, Nucl. Acids. Res., 15: 3187 (1987); Seyedin *et al.*, J. Biol. Chem., 261: 5693-5695 (1986); Madisen *et al.*, DNA, 7: 1-8 (1988); and Hanks *et al.*, Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. (U.S.A.), 85: 79-82 (1988).

10 TGF- β 4 and TGF- β 5 were cloned from a chicken chondrocyte cDNA library (Jakowlew *et al.*, Molec. Endocrinol., 2: 1186-1195 (1988)) and from a frog oocyte cDNA library, respectively.

The pro region of TGF- β associates non-covalently with the mature TGF- β dimer (Wakefield *et al.*, J. Biol. Chem., 263: 7646-7654 (1988); Wakefield *et al.*, Growth Factors, 1: 203-218 (1989)), and the pro regions are found to be necessary for proper folding and secretion of the active mature dimers of both TGF- β and activin (Gray and Mason, Science, 247: 1328-1330 (1990)). The association between the mature and pro regions of TGF- β masks the biological activity of the mature dimer, resulting in formation of an inactive latent form. Latency is not a constant of the TGF- β superfamily, since the presence of the pro region has no effect on activin or inhibin biological activity.

20 A unifying feature of the biology of the proteins from the TGF- β superfamily is their ability to regulate developmental processes. TGF- β has been shown to have numerous regulatory actions on a wide variety of both normal and neoplastic cells. TGF- β is multifunctional, as it can either stimulate or inhibit cell proliferation, differentiation, and other critical processes in cell function (Sporn and Roberts, *supra*).

25 One member of the TGF- β superfamily, EBAF, is expressed in endometrium only in the late secretory phase and during abnormal endometrial bleeding. Kothapalli *et al.*, J. Clin. Invest., 99: 2342-2350 (1997). Human endometrium is unique in that it is the only tissue in the body that bleeds at regular intervals. In addition, abnormal endometrial bleeding is one of the most common manifestations of gynecological diseases, and is a prime indication for hysterectomy. *In situ* hybridization showed that the mRNA of EBAF was expressed in the stroma without any significant mRNA expression in the endometrial glands or endothelial cells.

30 The predicted protein sequence of EBAF showed a strong homology to the protein encoded by mouse *lefty/stra3* of the TGF- β superfamily. A motif search revealed that the predicted EBAF protein contains most of the cysteine residues which are conserved among the TGF- β -related proteins and which are necessary for the formation of the cysteine knot structure. The EBAF sequence contains an additional cysteine residue, 12 amino acids upstream from the first conserved cysteine residue. The only other family members known to contain an additional cysteine residue are TGF- β s, inhibins, and GDF-3. EBAF, similar to LEFTY, GDF-3/Vgr2, and GDF-9, lacks the cysteine residue that is known to form the intermolecular disulfide bond. Therefore, EBAF appears to be an additional member of the TGF- β superfamily with an unpaired cysteine residue that may not exist as a dimer. However, hydrophobic contacts between the two monomer subunits may promote dimer formation. Fluorescence *in situ* hybridization showed that the *ebaf* gene is located on human chromosome 1 at band q42.1.

Additional members of the TGF- β superfamily, such as those related to EBAF, are being searched for by industry and academics. We herein describe the identification and characterization of novel polypeptides having homology to EBAF, designated herein as PRO317 polypeptides.

18. **PRO301**

5 The widespread occurrence of cancer has prompted the devotion of considerable resources and discovering new treatments of treatment. One particular method involves the creation of tumor or cancer specific monoclonal antibodies (mAbs) which are specific to tumor antigens. Such mAbs, which can distinguish between normal and cancerous cells are useful in the diagnosis, prognosis and treatment of the disease. Particular antigens are known to be associated with neoplastic diseases, such as colorectal cancer.

10 One particular antigen, the A33 antigen is expressed in more than 90% of primary or metastatic colon cancers as well as normal colon epithelium. Since colon cancer is a widespread disease, early diagnosis and treatment is an important medical goal. Diagnosis and treatment of colon cancer can be implemented using monoclonal antibodies (mAbs) specific therefore having fluorescent, nuclear magnetic or radioactive tags. Radioactive gene, toxins and/or drug tagged mAbs can be used for treatment *in situ* with minimal patient description.

15 mAbs can also be used to diagnose during the diagnosis and treatment of colon cancers. For example, when the serum levels of the A33 antigen are elevated in a patient, a drop of the levels after surgery would indicate the tumor resection was successful. On the other hand, a subsequent rise in serum A33 antigen levels after surgery would indicate that metastases of the original tumor may have formed or that new primary tumors may have appeared. Such monoclonal antibodies can be used in lieu of, or in conjunction with surgery and/or other chemotherapies. For example, U.S.P. 4,579,827 and U.S.S.N. 424,991 (E.P. 199,141) are directed to therapeutic administration of monoclonal antibodies, the latter of which relates to the application of anti-A33 mAb.

20 Many cancers of epithelial origin have adenovirus receptors. In fact, adenovirus-derived vectors have been proposed as a means of inserting antisense nucleic acids into tumors (U.S.P. 5,518,885). Thus, the association of viral receptors with neoplastic tumors is not unexpected.

25 We herein describe the identification and characterization of novel polypeptides having homology to certain cancer-associated antigens, designated herein as PRO301 polypeptides.

19. **PRO224**

30 Cholesterol uptake can have serious implications on one's health. Cholesterol uptake provides cells with most of the cholesterol they require for membrane synthesis. If this uptake is blocked, cholesterol accumulates in the blood and can contribute to the formation of atherosclerotic plaques in blood vessel walls. Most cholesterol is transported in the blood bound to protein in the form of complexes known as low-density lipoproteins (LDLs). LDLs are endocytosed into cells via LDL receptor proteins. Therefore, LDL receptor proteins, and proteins having homology thereto, are of interest to the scientific and medical communities. Membrane-bound proteins and

35 receptors can play an important role in the formation, differentiation and maintenance of multicellular organisms. The LDL receptors are an example of membrane-bound proteins which are involved in the synthesis and formation of cell membranes, wherein the health of an individual is affected directly and indirectly by its function. Many

membrane-bound proteins act as receptors such as the LDL receptor. These receptors can function to endocytose substrates or they can function as a receptor for a channel. Other membrane-bound proteins function as signals or antigens.

Membrane-bound proteins and receptor molecules have various industrial applications, including as pharmaceutical and diagnostic agents. The membrane-bound proteins can also be employed for screening of potential peptide or small molecule regulators of the relevant receptor/ligand interaction. In the case of the LDL receptor, it is desirable to find molecules which enhance endocytosis so as to lower blood cholesterol levels and plaque formation. It is also desirable to identify molecules which inhibit endocytosis so that these molecules can be avoided or regulated by individuals having high blood cholesterol. Polypeptides which are homologous to lipoprotein receptors but which do not function as lipoprotein receptors are also of interest in the determination of the function of the fragments which show homology.

The following studies report on previously known low density lipoprotein receptors and related proteins including apolipoproteins: Sawamura, et al., Nippon Chemiphar Co, Japan patent application J09098787; Novak, S., et al., *J. Biol. Chem.*, 271:(20):11732-6 (1996); Blaas, D., *J. Virol.*, 69(11):7244-7 (Nov. 1995); Scott, J., *J. Inher. Metab. Dis.* (UK), 9/Supp. 1 (3-16) (1986); Yamamoto, et al., *Cell*, 39:27-38 (1984); Rebecq, et al., *Neurobiol. Aging*, 15:5117 (1994); Novak, S., et al., *J. Biol. Chemistry*, 271:11732-11736 (1996); and Sestavel and Fruchart, *Cell Mol. Biol.*, 40(4):461-81 (June 1994). These publications and others published prior to the filing of this application provide further background to peptides already known in the art.

Efforts are being undertaken by both industry and academia to identify new, native membrane-bound receptor proteins, particularly those having homology to lipoprotein receptors. We herein describe the identification and characterization of novel polypeptides having homology to lipoprotein receptors, designated herein as PRO224 polypeptides.

20. PRO222

Complement is a group of proteins found in the blood that are important in humoral immunity and inflammation. Complement proteins are sequentially activated by antigen-antibody complexes or by proteolytic enzymes. When activated, complement proteins kill bacteria and other microorganisms, affect vascular permeability, release histamine and attract white blood cells. Complement also enhances phagocytosis when bound to target cells. In order to prevent harm to autologous cells, the complement activation pathway is tightly regulated.

Deficiencies in the regulation of complement activation or in the complement proteins themselves may lead to immune-complex diseases, such as systemic lupus erythematosus, and may result in increased susceptibility to bacterial infection. In all cases, early detection of complement deficiency is desirable so that the patient can begin treatment. Thus, research efforts are currently directed toward identification of soluble and membrane proteins that regulate complement activation.

Proteins known to be important in regulating complement activation in humans include Factor H and Complement receptor type 1 (CR1). Factor H is a 150 kD soluble serum protein that interacts with complement protein C3b to accelerate the decay of C3 convertase and acts as a cofactor for Factor I-mediated cleavage of complement protein C4b. Complement receptor type 1 is a 190-280 kD membrane bound protein found in mast cells

and most blood cells. CR1 interacts with complement proteins C3b, C4b, and iC3b to accelerate dissociation of C3 convertases, acts as a cofactor for Factor I-mediated cleavage of C3b and C4b, and binds immune complexes and promotes their dissolution and phagocytosis.

Proteins which have homology to complement proteins are of particular interest to the medical and industrial communities. Often, proteins having homology to each other have similar function. It is also of interest when proteins having homology do not have similar functions, indicating that certain structural motifs identify information other than function, such as locality of function.

Efforts are being undertaken by both industry and academia to identify new, native secreted and membrane-bound proteins, particularly those having homology to known proteins involved in the complement pathway. Proteins involved in the complement pathway were reviewed in Birmingham DJ (1995), Critical Reviews in Immunology, 15(2):133-154 and in Abbas AK, et al. (1994) Cellular and Molecular Immunology, 2nd Ed. W.B. Saunders Company, Philadelphia, pp 295-315.

We herein describe the identification and characterization of novel polypeptides having homology to complement receptors, designated herein as PRO222 polypeptides.

21. PRO234

The successful function of many systems within multicellular organisms is dependent on cell-cell interactions. Such interactions are affected by the alignment of particular ligands with particular receptors in a manner which allows for ligand-receptor binding and thus a cell-cell adhesion. While protein-protein interactions in cell recognition have been recognized for some time, only recently has the role of carbohydrates in physiologically relevant recognition been widely considered (see B.K. Brandley *et al.*, *J. Leuk. Biol.* 40: 97 (1986) and N. Sharon *et al.*, *Science* 245: 227 (1989)). Oligosaccharides are well positioned to act as recognition novel lectins due to their cell surface location and structural diversity. Many oligosaccharide structures can be created through the differential activities of a smaller number of glycosyltransferases. The diverse structures of oligosaccharides can be generated by transcription of relatively few gene products, which suggests that the oligosaccharides are a plausible mechanism by which is directed a wide range of cell-cell interactions. Examples of differential expression of cell surface carbohydrates and putative carbohydrate binding proteins (lectins) on interacting cells have been described (J. Dodd & T.M. Jessel, *J. Neurosci.* 5: 3278 (1985); L.J. Regan *et al.*, *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 83: 2248 (1986); M. Constantine-Paton *et al.*, *Nature* 324: 459 (1986); and M. Tiemeyer *et al.*, *J. Biol. Chem.* 263: 1671 (1989)). One interesting member of the lectin family are selectins.

The migration of leukocytes to sites of acute or chronic inflammation involves adhesive interactions between these cells and the endothelium. This specific adhesion is the initial event in the cascade that is initiated by inflammatory insults, and it is, therefore, of paramount importance to the regulated defense of the organism.

The types of cell adhesion molecules that are involved in the interaction between leukocytes and the endothelium during an inflammatory response currently stands at four: (1) selectins; (2) (carbohydrate and glycoprotein) ligands for selectins; (3) integrins; and (4) integrin ligands, which are members of the immunoglobulin gene superfamily.

The selectins are cell adhesion molecules that are unified both structurally and functionally. Structurally, selectins are characterized by the inclusion of a domain with homology to a calcium-dependent lectin (C-lectins), an epidermal growth factor (egf)-like domain and several complement binding-like domains. Bevilacqua, M.P. *et al.*, *Science* **243**: 1160-1165 (1989); Johnston *et al.*, *Cell* **56**: 1033-1044 (1989); Lasky *et al.*, *Cell* **56**: 1045-1055 (1989); Siegalman, M. *et al.*, *Science* **243**: 1165-1172 (1989); Stoolman, L.M., *Cell* **56**: 907-910 (1989). Functionally, selectins share the common property of their ability to mediate cell binding through interactions between their lectin domains and cell surface carbohydrate ligands (Brandley, B. *et al.*, *Cell* **63**: 861-863 (1990); Springer, T. and Lasky, L.A., *Nature* **349**: 19-197 (1991); Bevilacqua, M.P. and Nelson, R.M., *J. Clin. Invest.* **91**: 379-387 (1993) and Tedder *et al.*, *J. Exp. Med.* **170**: 123-133 (1989).

There are three members identified so far in the selectin family of cell adhesion molecules: L-selectin (also called peripheral lymph node homing receptor (pnHR), LEC-CAM-1, LAM-1, gp90^{MEL}, gp100^{MEL}, gp110^{MEL}, MEL-14 antigen, Leu-8 antigen, TQ-1 antigen, DREG antigen), E-selectin (LEC-CAM-2, LECAM-2, ELAM-1) and P-selectin (LEC-CAM-3, LECAM-3, GMP-140, PADGEM).

The identification of the C-lectin domain has led to an intense effort to define carbohydrate binding ligands for proteins containing such domains. E-selectin is believed to recognize the carbohydrate sequence NeuNAc α 2-3Gal β 1-4(Fuc α 1-3)GlcNAc (sialyl-Lewis x, or sLe^x) and related oligosaccharides, Berg *et al.*, *J. Biol. Chem.* **265**: 14869-14872 (1991); Lowe *et al.*, *Cell* **62**: 475-484 (1990); Phillips *et al.*, *Science* **250**: 1130-1132 (1990); Tiemeyer *et al.*, *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* **88**: 1138-1142 (1991).

L-selectin, which comprises a lectin domain, performs its adhesive function by recognizing carbohydrate-containing ligands on endothelial cells. L-selectin is expressed on the surface of leukocytes, such as lymphocytes, neutrophils, monocytes and eosinophils, and is involved with the trafficking of lymphocytes to peripheral lymphoid tissues (Gallatin *et al.*, *Nature* **303**: 30-34 (1983)) and with acute neutrophil-mediated inflammatory responses (Watson, S.R., *Nature* **349**: 164-167 (1991)). The amino acid sequence of L-selectin and the encoding nucleic acid sequence are, for example, disclosed in U.S. patent No. 5,098,833 issued 24 March 1992.

L-selectin (LEC-CAM-1) is particularly interesting because of its ability to block neutrophil influx (Watson *et al.*, *Nature* **349**: 164-167 (1991)). It is expressed in chronic lymphocytic leukemia cells which bind to HEV (Sperini *et al.*, *Nature* **349**: 691-694 (1991)). It is also believed that HEV structures at sites of chronic inflammation are associated with the symptoms of diseases such as rheumatoid arthritis, psoriasis and multiple sclerosis.

E-selectin (ELAM-1), is particularly interesting because of its transient expression on endothelial cells in response to IL-1 or TNF. Bevilacqua *et al.*, *Science* **243**: 1160 (1989). The time course of this induced expression (2-8 h) suggests a role for this receptor in initial neutrophil induced extravasation in response to infection and injury. It has further been reported that anti-ELAM-1 antibody blocks the influx of neutrophils in a primate asthma model and thus is beneficial for preventing airway obstruction resulting from the inflammatory response. Gundel *et al.*, *J. Clin. Invest.* **88**: 1407 (1991).

The adhesion of circulating neutrophils to stimulated vascular endothelium is a primary event of the inflammatory response. P-selectin has been reported to recognize the Lewis x structure (Gal β 1-4(Fuc α 1-3) GlcNAc), Larsen *et al.*, *Cell* **63**: 467-474 (1990). Others report that an additional terminal linked sialic acid is required for high affinity binding, Moore *et al.*, *J. Cell. Biol.* **112**: 491-499 (1991). P-selectin has been shown to be significant in acute

lung injury. Anti-P-selectin antibody has been shown to have strong protective effects in a rodent lung injury model. M.S. Mulligan *et al.*, *J. Clin. Invest.* 90: 1600 (1991).

We herein describe the identification and characterization of novel polypeptides having homology to lectin proteins, herein designated as PRO234 polypeptides.

22. PRO231

Some of the most important proteins involved in the above described regulation and modulation of cellular processes are the enzymes which regulate levels of protein phosphorylation in the cell. For example, it is known that the transduction of signals that regulate cell growth and differentiation is regulated at least in part by phosphorylation and dephosphorylation of various cellular proteins. The enzymes that catalyze these processes include the protein kinases, which function to phosphorylate various cellular proteins, and the protein phosphatases, which function to remove phosphate residues from various cellular proteins. The balance of the level of protein phosphorylation in the cell is thus mediated by the relative activities of these two types of enzymes.

Protein phosphatases represent a growing family of enzymes that are found in many diverse forms, including both membrane-bound and soluble forms. While many protein phosphatases have been described, the functions of only a very few are beginning to be understood (Tonks, *Semin. Cell Biol.* 4:373-453 (1993) and Dixon, *Recent Prog. Horm. Res.* 51:405-414 (1996)). However, in general, it appears that many of the protein phosphatases function to modulate the positive or negative signals induced by various protein kinases. Therefore, it is likely that protein phosphatases play critical roles in numerous and diverse cellular processes.

Given the physiological importance of the protein phosphatases, efforts are being undertaken by both industry and academia to identify new, native phosphatase proteins. Many of these efforts are focused on the screening of mammalian recombinant DNA libraries to identify the coding sequences for novel phosphatase proteins. Examples of screening methods and techniques are described in the literature [see, for example, Klein *et al.*, *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci.*, 93:7108-7113 (1996); U.S. Patent No. 5,536,637].

We herein describe the identification and characterization of novel polypeptides having homology to acid phosphatases, designated herein as PRO231 polypeptides.

23. PRO229

Scavenger receptors are known to protect IgG molecules from catabolic degradation. Riechmann and Hollinger, *Nature Biotechnology*, 15:617 (1997). In particular, studies of the CH2 and CH3 domains have shown that specific sequences of these domains are important in determining the half-lives of antibodies. Ellerson, *et al.*, *J. Immunol.*, 116: 510 (1976); Yasmeen, *et al.*, *J. Immunol.* 116: 518 (1976; Pollock, *et al.*, *Eur. J. Immunol.*, 20: 2021 (1990). Scavenger receptor proteins and antibodies thereto are further reported in U.S. Patent No. 5,510,466 to Krieger, *et al.* Due to the ability of scavenger receptors to increase the half-life of polypeptides and their involvement in immune function, molecules having homology to scavenger receptors are of importance to the scientific and medical community.

Efforts are being undertaken by both industry and academia to identify new, native secreted and membrane-bound receptor proteins, particularly those having homology to scavenger receptors. Many efforts are focused on

the screening of mammalian recombinant DNA libraries to identify the coding sequences for novel secreted and membrane-bound receptor proteins. Examples of screening methods and techniques are described in the literature [see, for example, Klein et al., Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci., 93:7108-7113 (1996); U.S. Patent No. 5,536,637].

We herein describe the identification and characterization of novel polypeptides having homology to scavenger receptors, designated herein as PRO229 polypeptides.

24. PRO238

Oxygen free radicals and antioxidants appear to play an important role in the central nervous system after cerebral ischemia and reperfusion. Moreover, cardiac injury, related to ischaemia and reperfusion has been reported to be caused by the action of free radicals. Additionally, studies have reported that the redox state of the cell is a pivotal determinant of the fate of the cells. Furthermore, reactive oxygen species have been reported to be cytotoxic, causing inflammatory disease, including tissue necrosis, organ failure, atherosclerosis, infertility, birth defects, premature aging, mutations and malignancy. Thus, the control of oxidation and reduction is important for a number of reasons including for control and prevention of strokes, heart attacks, oxidative stress and hypertension. In this regard, reductases, and particularly, oxidoreductases, are of interest. Publications further describing this subject matter include Kelsey, et al., Br. J. Cancer, 76(7):852-4 (1997); Friedrich and Weiss, J. Theor. Biol., 187(4):529-40 (1997) and Piculle, et al., J. Bacteriol., 179(18):5684-92 (1997).

Efforts are being undertaken by both industry and academia to identify new, native secreted and membrane-bound receptor proteins, particularly secreted proteins which have homology to reductase. Many efforts are focused on the screening of mammalian recombinant DNA libraries to identify the coding sequences for novel secreted and membrane-bound receptor proteins. Examples of screening methods and techniques are described in the literature [see, for example, Klein et al., Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci., 93:7108-7113 (1996); U.S. Patent No. 5,536,637].

We herein describe the identification and characterization of novel polypeptides having homology to reductase, designated herein as PRO238 polypeptides.

25. PRO233

Studies have reported that the redox state of the cell is an important determinant of the fate of the cell. Furthermore, reactive oxygen species have been reported to be cytotoxic, causing inflammatory disease, including tissue necrosis, organ failure, atherosclerosis, infertility, birth defects, premature aging, mutations and malignancy. Thus, the control of oxidation and reduction is important for a number of reasons, including the control and prevention of strokes, heart attacks, oxidative stress and hypertension. Oxygen free radicals and antioxidants appear to play an important role in the central nervous system after cerebral ischemia and reperfusion. Moreover, cardiac injury, related to ischaemia and reperfusion has been reported to be caused by the action of free radicals. In this regard, reductases, and particularly, oxidoreductases, are of interest. In addition, the transcription factors, NF-kappa B and AP-1, are known to be regulated by redox state and to affect the expression of a large variety of genes thought to be involved in the pathogenesis of AIDS, cancer, atherosclerosis and diabetic complications. Publications further describing this subject matter include Kelsey, et al., Br. J. Cancer, 76(7):852-4 (1997); Friedrich and Weiss, J. Theor. Biol., 187(4):529-40 (1997) and Piculle, et al., J. Bacteriol., 179(18):5684-92 (1997). Given the physiological

importance of redox reactions *in vivo*, efforts are currently being under taken to identify new, native proteins which are involved in redox reactions. We describe herein the identification of novel polypeptides which have homology to reductase, designated herein as PRO233 polypeptides.

26. PRO223

5 The carboxypeptidase family of exopeptidases constitutes a diverse group of enzymes that hydrolyze carboxyl-terminal amide bonds in polypeptides, wherein a large number of mammalian tissues produce these enzymes. Many of the carboxypeptidase enzymes that have been identified to date exhibit rather strong cleavage specificities for certain amino acids in polypeptides. For example, carboxypeptidase enzymes have been identified which prefer lysine, arginine, serine or amino acids with either aromatic or branched aliphatic side chains as
10 substrates at the carboxyl terminus of the polypeptide.

With regard to the serine carboxypeptidases, such amino acid specific enzymes have been identified from a variety of different mammalian and non-mammalian organisms. The mammalian serine carboxypeptidase enzymes play important roles in many different biological processes including, for example, protein digestion, activation, inactivation, or modulation of peptide hormone activity, and alteration of the physical properties of proteins and
15 enzymes.

In light of the physiological importance of the serine carboxypeptidases, efforts are being undertaken by both industry and academia to identify new, native secreted and membrane-bound receptor proteins and specifically novel carboxypeptidases. Many of these efforts are focused on the screening of mammalian recombinant DNA libraries to identify the coding sequences for novel secreted and membrane-bound receptor proteins. We describe herein novel
20 polypeptides having homology to one or more serine carboxypeptidase polypeptides, designated herein as PRO223 polypeptides.

27. PRO235

Plexin was first identified in *Xenopus* tadpole nervous system as a membrane glycoprotein which was shown
25 to mediate cell adhesion via a homophilic binding mechanism in the presence of calcium ions. Strong evolutionary conservation between *Xenopus*, mouse and human homologs of plexin has been observed. [Kaneyama et al., Biochem. And Biophys. Res. Comm. 226: 524-529 (1996)]. Given the physiological importance of cell adhesion mechanisms *in vivo*, efforts are currently being under taken to identify new, native proteins which are involved in cell adhesion. We describe herein the identification of a novel polypeptide which has homology to plexin, designated
30 herein as PRO235.

28. PRO236 and PRO262

β -galactosidase is a well known enzymatic protein which functions to hydrolyze β -galactoside molecules. β -galactosidase has been employed for a variety of different applications, both *in vitro* and *in vivo* and has proven
35 to be an extremely useful research tool. As such, there is an interest in obtaining novel polypeptides which exhibit homology to the β -galactosidase polypeptide.

Given the strong interest in obtaining novel polypeptides having homology to β -galactosidase, efforts are currently being undertaken by both industry and academia to identify new, native β -galactosidase homolog proteins. Many of these efforts are focused on the screening of mammalian recombinant DNA libraries to identify the coding sequences for novel β -galactosidase-like proteins. Examples of screening methods and techniques are described in the literature [see, for example, Klein et al., Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci., 93:7108-7113 (1996); U.S. Patent No. 5,536,637]. We herein describe novel polypeptides having significant homology to the β -galactosidase enzyme, designated herein as PRO236 and PRO262 polypeptides.

29. **PRO239**

Densin is a glycoprotein which has been isolated from the brain which has all the hallmarks of an adhesion molecule. It is highly concentrated at synaptic sites in the brain and is expressed prominently in dendritic processes in developing neurons. Densin has been characterized as a member of the O-linked sialoglycoproteins. Densin has relevance to medically important processes such as regeneration. Given the physiological importance of synaptic processes and cell adhesion mechanisms *in vivo*, efforts are currently being undertaken to identify new, native proteins which are involved in synaptic machinery and cell adhesion. We describe herein the identification of novel polypeptides which have homology to densin, designated herein as PRO239 polypeptides.

30. **PRO257**

Ebnerin is a cell surface protein associated with von Ebner glands in mammals. Efforts are being undertaken by both industry and academia to identify new, native cell surface receptor proteins and specifically those which possess sequence homology to cell surface proteins such as ebnerin. Many of these efforts are focused on the screening of mammalian recombinant DNA libraries to identify the coding sequences for novel receptor proteins. We herein describe the identification of novel polypeptides having significant homology to the von Ebner's gland-associated protein ebnerin, designated herein as PRO257 polypeptides.

31. **PRO260**

Fucosidases are enzymes that remove fucose residues from fucose containing proteoglycans. In some pathological conditions, such as cancer, rheumatoid arthritis, and diabetes, there is an abnormal fucosylation of serum proteins. Therefore, fucosidases, and proteins having homology to fucosidase, are of importance to the study and abrogation of these conditions. In particular, proteins having homology to the alpha-L-fucosidase precursor are of interest. Fucosidases and fucosidase inhibitors are further described in U.S. Patent Nos. 5,637,490, 5,382,709, 5,240,707, 5,153,325, 5,100,797, 5,096,909 and 5,017,704. Studies are also reported in Valk, et al., J. Virol., 71(9):6796 (1997), Aktogu, et al., Monaldi Arch. Chest Dis. (Italy), 52(2):118 (1997) and Focarelli, et al., Biochem. Biophys. Res. Commun. (U.S.), 234(1):54 (1997).

Efforts are being undertaken by both industry and academia to identify new, native secreted and membrane-bound receptor proteins. Of particular interest are proteins having homology to the alpha-L-fucosidase precursor. Many efforts are focused on the screening of mammalian recombinant DNA libraries to identify the coding sequences for novel secreted and membrane-bound receptor proteins. Examples of screening methods and techniques are

described in the literature [see, for example, Klein et al., Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci., 93:7108-7113 (1996); U.S. Patent No. 5,536,637].

We herein describe the identification and characterization of novel polypeptides having homology to fucosidases, designated herein as PRO260 polypeptides.

32. PRO263

CD44 is a cell surface adhesion molecule involved in cell-cell and cell-matrix interactions. Hyaluronic acid, a component of the extracellular matrix is a major ligand. Other ligands include collagen, fibronectin, laminin, chondroitin sulfate, mucosal addressin, seryglycin and osteopontin. CD44 is also important in regulating cell traffic, lymph node homing, transmission of growth signals, and presentation of chemokines and growth factors to traveling cells. CD44 surface proteins are associated with metastatic tumors and CD44 has been used as a marker for HIV infection. Certain splice variants are associated with metastasis and poor prognosis of cancer patients. Therefore, molecules having homology with CD44 are of particular interest, as their homology indicates that they may have functions related to those functions of CD44. CD44 is further described in U.S. Patent Nos. 5,506,119, 5,504,194 and 5,108,904; Gerberick, et al., Toxicol. Appl. Pharmacol., 146(1):1 (1997); Wittig, et al., Immunol. Letters (Netherlands), 57(1-3):217 (1997); and Oliveira and Odell, Oral Oncol. (England), 33(4):260 (1997).

Efforts are being undertaken by both industry and academia to identify new, native secreted and membrane-bound receptor proteins, particularly transmembrane proteins with homology to CD44 antigen. Many efforts are focused on the screening of mammalian recombinant DNA libraries to identify the coding sequences for novel secreted and membrane-bound receptor proteins. Examples of screening methods and techniques are described in the literature [see, for example, Klein et al., Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci., 93:7108-7113 (1996); U.S. Patent No. 5,536,637].

We herein describe the identification and characterization of novel polypeptides having homology to CD44 antigen, designated herein as PRO263 polypeptides.

33. PRO270

Thioredoxins effect reduction-oxidation (redox) state. Many diseases are potentially related to redox state and reactive oxygen species may play a role in many important biological processes. The transcription factors, NF-kappa B and AP-1, are regulated by redox state and are known to affect the expression of a large variety of genes thought to be involved in the pathogenesis of AIDS, cancer, atherosclerosis and diabetic complications. Such proteins may also play a role in cellular antioxidant defense, and in pathological conditions involving oxidative stress such as stroke and inflammation in addition to having a role in apoptosis. Therefore, thioredoxins, and proteins having homology thereto, are of interest to the scientific and medical communities.

We herein describe the identification and characterization of novel polypeptides having homology to thioredoxin, designated herein as PRO270 polypeptides.

34. **PRO271**

The proteoglycan link protein is a protein which is intimately associated with various extracellular matrix proteins and more specifically with proteins such as collagen. For example, one primary component of collagen is a large proteoglycan called aggrecan. This molecule is retained by binding to the glycosaminoglycan hyaluronan through the amino terminal G1 globular domain of the core protein. This binding is stabilized by the proteoglycan link protein which is a protein that is also associated with other tissues containing hyaluronan binding proteoglycans such as versican.

Link protein has been identified as a potential target for autoimmune antibodies in individuals who suffer from juvenile rheumatoid arthritis (see Guerassimov et al., *J. Rheumatology* 24(5):959-964 (1997)). As such, there is strong interest in identifying novel proteins having homology to link protein. We herein describe the identification and characterization of novel polypeptides having such homology, designated herein as PRO271 polypeptides.

35. **PRO272**

Reticulocalbin is an endoplasmic reticular protein which may be involved in protein transport and luminal protein processing. Reticulocalbin resides in the lumen of the endoplasmic reticulum, is known to bind calcium, and may be involved in a luminal retention mechanism of the endoplasmic reticulum. It contains six domains of the EF-hand motif associated with high affinity calcium binding. We describe herein the identification and characterization of a novel polypeptide which has homology to the reticulocalbin protein, designated herein as PRO272.

36. **PRO294**

Collagen, a naturally occurring protein, finds wide application in industry. Chemically hydrolyzed natural collagen can be denatured and renatured by heating and cooling to produce gelatin, which is used in photographic and medical, among other applications. Collagen has important properties such as the ability to form interchain aggregates having a conformation designated as a triple helix. We herein describe the identification and characterization of a novel polypeptide which has homology to portions of the collagen molecule, designated herein as PRO294.

37. **PRO295**

The integrins comprise a supergene family of cell-surface glycoprotein receptors that promote cellular adhesion. Each cell has numerous receptors that define its cell adhesive capabilities. Integrins are involved in a wide variety of interaction between cells and other cells or matrix components. The integrins are of particular importance in regulating movement and function of immune system cells. The platelet IIb/IIIa integrin complex is of particular importance in regulating platelet aggregation. A member of the integrin family, integrin β -6, is expressed on epithelial cells and modulates epithelial inflammation. Another integrin, leucocyte-associated antigen-1 (LFA-1) is important in the adhesion of lymphocytes during an immune response. The integrins are expressed as heterodimers of non-covalently associated alpha and beta subunits. Given the physiological importance of cell adhesion mechanisms *in vivo*, efforts are currently being undertaken to identify new, native proteins which are involved in cell adhesion. We

describe herein the identification and characterization of a novel polypeptide which has homology to integrin, designated herein as PRO295

38. PRO293

Protein-protein interactions include receptor and antigen complexes and signaling mechanisms. As more is known about the structural and functional mechanisms underlying protein-protein interactions, protein-protein interactions can be more easily manipulated to regulate the particular result of the protein-protein interaction. Thus, the underlying mechanisms of protein-protein interactions are of interest to the scientific and medical community.

All proteins containing leucine-rich repeats are thought to be involved in protein-protein interactions. Leucine-rich repeats are short sequence motifs present in a number of proteins with diverse functions and cellular locations. The crystal structure of ribonuclease inhibitor protein has revealed that leucine-rich repeats correspond to beta-alpha structural units. These units are arranged so that they form a parallel beta-sheet with one surface exposed to solvent, so that the protein acquires an unusual, nonglobular shape. These two features have been indicated as responsible for the protein-binding functions of proteins containing leucine-rich repeats. See, Kobe and Deisenhofer, Trends Biochem. Sci., 19(10):415-421 (Oct. 1994).

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We describe herein the identification and characterization of a novel polypeptide which has homology to leucine rich repeat proteins, designated herein as PRO293.

39. PRO247

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Densin is a glycoprotein which has been isolated from the brain which has all the hallmarks of an adhesion molecule. It is highly concentrated at synaptic sites in the brain and is expressed prominently in dendritic processes in developing neurons. Densin has been characterized as a member of the O-linked sialoglycoproteins. Densin has relevance to medically important processes such as regeneration. Given the physiological importance of synaptic processes and cell adhesion mechanisms *in vivo*, efforts are currently being under taken to identify new, native proteins which are involved in synaptic machinery and cell adhesion. Densin is further described in Kennedy, M.B, Trends Neurosci. (England), 20(6):264 (1997) and Apperson, et al., J. Neurosci., 16(21):6839 (1996).

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We describe herein the identification and characterization of a novel polypeptide which has homology to leucine rich repeat proteins, designated herein as PRO247.

40. PRO302, PRO303, PRO304, PRO307 and PRO343

Proteases are enzymatic proteins which are involved in a large number of very important biological processes in mammalian and non-mammalian organisms. Numerous different protease enzymes from a variety of different mammalian and non-mammalian organisms have been both identified and characterized. The mammalian protease enzymes play important roles in many different biological processes including, for example, protein digestion, activation, inactivation, or modulation of peptide hormone activity, and alteration of the physical properties of proteins and enzymes.

In light of the important physiological roles played by protease enzymes, efforts are currently being undertaken by both industry and academia to identify new, native protease homologs. Many of these efforts are focused on the screening of mammalian recombinant DNA libraries to identify the coding sequences for novel secreted and membrane-bound receptor proteins. Examples of screening methods and techniques are described in the literature [see, for example, Klein et al., *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci.*, 93:7108-7113 (1996); U.S. Patent No. 5,536,637]. We herein describe the identification of novel polypeptides having homology to various protease enzymes, designated herein as PRO302, PRO303, PRO304, PRO307 and PRO343 polypeptides.

41. PRO328

The GLIP protein family has been characterized as comprising zinc-finger proteins which play important roles in embryogenesis. These proteins may function as transcriptional regulatory proteins and are known to be amplified in a subset of human tumors. Glioma pathogenesis protein is structurally related to a group of plant pathogenesis-related proteins. It is highly expressed in glioblastoma. See US Pat. Nos. 5,582,981 (issued Dec. 10, 1996) and 5,322,801 (issued June 21, 1996), Ellington, A.D. et al., *Nature*, 346:818 (1990), Grindley, J.C. et al., *Dev. Biol.*, 188(2):337 (1997), Marine, J.C. et al., *Mech. Dev.*, 63(2):211 (1997). The CRISP or cysteine rich secretory protein family are a group of proteins which are also structurally related to a group of plant pathogenesis proteins. [Schwidetzky, U., *Biochem. J.*, 321:325 (1997), Pfisterer, P., *Mol. Cell Biol.*, 16(11):6160 (1996), Kratzschmar, J., *Eur. J. Biochem.*, 236(3):827 (1996)]. We describe herein the identification of a novel polypeptide which has homology to GLIP and CRISP, designated herein as PRO328 polypeptides.

42. PRO335, PRO331 and PRO326

Protein-protein interactions include receptor and antigen complexes and signaling mechanisms. As more is known about the structural and functional mechanisms underlying protein-protein interactions, protein-protein interactions can be more easily manipulated to regulate the particular result of the protein-protein interaction. Thus, the underlying mechanisms of protein-protein interactions are of interest to the scientific and medical community.

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novel secreted and membrane-bound proteins having leucine rich repeats. Examples of screening methods and techniques are described in the literature [see, for example, Klein et al., *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci.*, 93:7108-7113 (1996), U.S. Patent No. 5,536,637)].

We describe herein the identification and characterization of novel polypeptides which have homology to proteins of the leucine rich repeat superfamily, designated herein as PRO335, PRO331 and PRO326 polypeptides.

43. PRO332

Secreted proteins comprising a repeat characterized by an arrangement of conserved leucine residues (leucine-rich repeat motif) have diverse biological roles. Certain proteoglycans, such as biglycan, fibromodulin and decorin, are, for example, characterized by the presence of a leucine-rich repeat of about 24 amino acids [Ruoslahti, *Ann. Rev. Cell. Biol.* 4 229-255 (1988); Oldberg et al., *EMBO J.* 8, 2601-2604 (1989)]. In general, proteoglycans are believed to play a role in regulating extracellular matrix, cartilage or bone function. The proteoglycan decorin binds to collagen type I and II and affects the rate of fibril formation. Fibromodulin also binds collagen and delays fibril formation. Both fibromodulin and decorin inhibit the activity of transforming growth factor beta (TGF- β) (U.S. Patent No. 5,583,103 issued December 10, 1996). TGF- β is known to play a key role in the induction of extracellular matrix and has been implicated in the development of fibrotic diseases, such as cancer and glomerulonephritis. Accordingly, proteoglycans have been proposed for the treatment of fibrotic cancer, based upon their ability to inhibit TGF- β 's growth stimulating activity on the cancer cell. Proteoglycans have also been described as potentially useful in the treatment of other proliferative pathologies, including rheumatoid arthritis, arteriosclerosis, adult respiratory distress syndrome, cirrhosis of the liver, fibrosis of the lungs, post-myocardial infarction, cardiac fibrosis, post-angioplasty restenosis, renal interstitial fibrosis and certain dermal fibrotic conditions, such as keloids and scarring, which might result from burn injuries, other invasive skin injuries, or cosmetic or reconstructive surgery (U.S. Patent No. 5,654,270, issued August 5, 1997).

We describe herein the identification and characterization of novel polypeptides which have homology to proteins of the leucine rich repeat superfamily, designated herein as PRO332 polypeptides.

44. PRO334

Microfibril bundles and proteins found in association with these bundles, particularly attachment molecules, are of interest in the field of dermatology, particularly in the study of skin which has been damaged from aging, injuries or the sun. Fibrillin microfibrils define the continuous elastic network of skin, and are present in dermis as microfibril bundles devoid of measurable elastin extending from the dermal-epithelial junction and as components of the thick elastic fibres present in the deep reticular dermis. Moreover, Marfan syndrome has been linked to mutations which interfere with multimerization of fibrillin monomers or other connective tissue elements.

Fibulin-1 is a modular glycoprotein with amino-terminal anaphatoxin-like modules followed by nine epidermal growth factor (EGF)-like modules and, depending on alternative splicing, four possible carboxyl termini.

Fibulin-2 is a novel extracellular matrix protein frequently found in close association with microfibrils containing either fibronectin or fibrillin. Thus, fibrillin, fibulin, and molecules related thereto are of interest, particularly for the use of preventing skin from being damaged from aging, injuries or the sun, or for restoring skin damaged from

same. Moreover, these molecules are generally of interest in the study of connective tissue and attachment molecules and related mechanisms. Fibillin, fibulin and related molecules are further described in Adams, et al., *J. Mol. Biol.*, 272(2):226-36 (1997); Kistly and Shurtleworth, *Microsc. Res. Tech.*, 38(4):413-27 (1997); and *Child. J. Card. Surg.*, 12(2Supp.):131-5 (1997).

Currently, efforts are being undertaken by both industry and academia to identify new, native secreted and membrane-bound receptor proteins, particularly secreted proteins which have homology to fibulin and fibrillin. Many efforts are focused on the screening of mammalian recombinant DNA libraries to identify the coding sequences for novel secreted and membrane-bound receptor proteins. Examples of screening methods and techniques are described in the literature [see, for example, Klein et al., *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci.*, 93:7108-7113 (1996); U.S. Patent No. 5,536,637].

We herein describe the identification and characterization of novel polypeptides having homology to fibulin and fibrillin, designated herein as PRO334 polypeptides.

45. PRO346

The widespread occurrence of cancer has prompted the devotion of considerable resources and discovering new treatments of treatment. One particular method involves the creation of tumor or cancer specific monoclonal antibodies (mAbs) which are specific to tumor antigens. Such mAbs, which can distinguish between normal and cancerous cells are useful in the diagnosis, prognosis and treatment of the disease. Particular antigens are known to be associated with neoplastic diseases, such as colorectal and breast cancer. Since colon cancer is a widespread disease, early diagnosis and treatment is an important medical goal. Diagnosis and treatment of cancer can be implemented using monoclonal antibodies (mAbs) specific therefore having fluorescent, nuclear magnetic or radioactive tags. Radioactive genes, toxins and/or drug tagged mAbs can be used for treatment *in situ* with minimal patient description.

Carcinoembryonic antigen (CEA) is a glycoprotein found in human colon cancer and the digestive organs of a 2-6 month human embryos. CEA is a known human tumor marker and is widely used in the diagnosis of neoplastic diseases, such as colon cancer. For example, when the serum levels of CEA are elevated in a patient, a drop of CEA levels after surgery would indicate the tumor resection was successful. On the other hand, a subsequent rise in serum CEA levels after surgery would indicate that metastases of the original tumor may have formed or that new primary tumors may have appeared. CEA may also be a target for mAb, antisense nucleotides

46. PRO268

Protein disulfide isomerase is an enzymatic protein which is involved in the promotion of correct refolding of proteins through the establishment of correct disulfide bond formation. Protein disulfide isomerase was initially identified based upon its ability to catalyze the renaturation of reduced denatured RNase (Goldberger et al., *J. Biol. Chem.* 239:1406-1410 (1964) and Epstein et al., *Cold Spring Harbor Symp. Quant. Biol.* 28:439-449 (1963)). Protein disulfide isomerase has been shown to be a resident enzyme of the endoplasmic reticulum which is retained in the endoplasmic reticulum via a -KDEL or -HDEL amino acid sequence at its C-terminus.

Given the importance of disulfide bond-forming enzymes and their potential uses in a number of different applications, for example in increasing the yield of correct refolding of recombinantly produced proteins, efforts are currently being undertaken by both industry and academia to identify new, native proteins having homology to protein disulfide isomerase. Many of these efforts are focused on the screening of mammalian recombinant DNA libraries to identify the coding sequences for novel protein disulfide isomerase homologs. We herein describe a novel polypeptide having homology to protein disulfide isomerase, designated herein as PRO268.

47. PRO330

Prolyl 4-hydroxylase is an enzyme which functions to post-translationally hydroxylate proline residues at the Y position of the amino acid sequence Gly-X-Y, which is a repeating three amino acid sequence found in both collagen and procollagen. Hydroxylation of proline residues at the Y position of the Gly-X-Y amino acid triplet to form 4-hydroxyproline residues at those positions is required before newly synthesized collagen polypeptide chains may fold into their proper three-dimensional triple-helical conformation. If hydroxylation does not occur, synthesized collagen polypeptides remain non-helical, are poorly secreted by cells and cannot assemble into stable functional collagen fibrils. Vuorio et al., *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 89:7467-7470 (1992). Prolyl 4-hydroxylase is comprised of at least two different polypeptide subunits, alpha and beta.

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48. PRO339 and PRO310

Fringe is a protein which specifically blocks serrate-mediated activation of notch in the dorsal compartment of the *Drosophila* wing imaginal disc. Fleming, et al., *Development*, 124(15):2973-81 (1997). Therefore, fringe is of interest for both its role in development as well as its ability to regulate serrate, particularly serrate's signaling abilities. Also of interest are novel polypeptides which may have a role in development and/or the regulation of serrate-like molecules. Of particular interest are novel polypeptides having homology to fringe as identified and described herein, designated herein as PRO339 and PRO310 polypeptides.

49. PRO244

Lectins are a class of proteins comprising a region that binds carbohydrates specifically and non-covalently. Numerous lectins have been identified in higher animals, both membrane-bound and soluble, and have been implicated in a variety of cell-recognition phenomena and tumor metastasis.

Most lectins can be classified as either C-type (calcium-dependent) or S-type (thiol-dependent).

Lectins are thought to play a role in regulating cellular events that are initiated at the level of the plasma membrane. For example, plasma membrane associated molecules are involved in the activation of various subsets of lymphoid cells, e.g. T-lymphocytes, and it is known that cell surface molecules are responsible for activation of these cells and consequently their response during an immune reaction.

A particular group of cell adhesion molecules, selectins, belong in the superfamily of C-type lectins. This group includes L-selectin (peripheral lymph node homing receptor (pNHR), LEC-CAM-1, LAM-1, gp90^{MEL}, gp100^{MEL}, gp110^{MEL}, MEL-14 antigen, Leu-8 antigen, TQ-1 antigen, DREG antigen), E-selectin (LEC-CAM-2, LECAM-2, ELAM-1), and P-selectin (LEC-CAM-3, LECAM-3, GMP-140, PADGEM). The structure of selectins consists of a C-type lectin (carbohydrate binding) domain, an epidermal growth factor-like (EGF-like) motif, and variable numbers of complement regulatory (CR) motifs. Selectins are associated with leukocyte adhesion, e.g. the attachment of neutrophils to venular endothelial cells adjacent to inflammation (E-selectin), or with the trafficking of lymphocytes from blood to secondary lymphoid organs, e.g. lymph nodes and Peyer's patches (L-selectin).

Another exemplary lectin is the cell-associated macrophage antigen, Mac-2 that is believed to be involved in cell adhesion and immune responses. Macrophages also express a lectin that recognizes Tn Ag, a human carcinoma-associated epitope.

Another C-type lectin is CD95 (Fas antigen/APO-1) that is an important mediator of immunologically relevant regulated or programmed cell death (apoptosis). "Apoptosis" is a non-necrotic cell death that takes place in metazoan animal cells following activation of an intrinsic cell suicide program. The cloning of Fas antigen is described in PCT publication WO 91/10448, and European patent application EP510691. The mature Fas molecule consists of 319 amino acids of which 157 are extracellular, 17 constitute the transmembrane domain, and 145 are intracellular. Increased levels of Fas expression at T cell surface have been associated with tumor cells and HIV-infected cells. Ligation of CD95 triggers apoptosis in the presence of interleukin-1 (IL-2).

C-type lectins also include receptors for oxidized low-density lipoprotein (LDL). This suggests a possible role in the pathogenesis of atherosclerosis.

We herein describe the identification and characterization of novel polypeptides having homology to C-type lectins, designated herein as PRO244 polypeptides.

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

1. PRO211 and PRO217

Applicants have identified cDNA clones that encode novel polypeptides having homology to EGF, designated in the present application as "PRO211" and "PRO217" polypeptides.

In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO211 or PRO217 polypeptide. In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA encoding EGF-like homologue PRO211 and PRO217 polypeptides of Fig. 2 (SEQ ID NO:2) and/or 4 (SEQ ID NO:4) indicated in Fig. 1 (SEQ ID NO: 1) and/or Fig. 3 (SEQ ID NO:3), respectively, or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions.

In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO211 and PRO217 EGF-like homologue PRO211 and PRO217 polypeptides. In particular, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO211 and PRO217 EGF-

like homologue polypeptides, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues: 1 to 353 of Fig. 2 (SEQ ID NO:2) or (2) 1 to 379 of Fig. 4 (SEQ ID NO: 4).

2. PRO230

Applicants have identified a cDNA clone that encodes a novel polypeptide, wherein the polypeptide is designated in the present application as "PRO230".

In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO230 polypeptide. In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA encoding the PRO230 polypeptide having amino acid residues 1 through 467 of Figure 6 (SEQ ID NO:12), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions.

In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO230 polypeptide. In particular, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO230 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 through 467 of Figure 6 (SEQ ID NO:12).

In another embodiment, the invention provides an expressed sequence tag (EST) comprising the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:13 (Figure 7) which is herein designated as DNA20088.

3. PRO232

Applicants have identified a cDNA clone that encodes a novel polypeptide, wherein the polypeptide is designated in the present application as "PRO232".

In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO232 polypeptide. In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA encoding the PRO232 polypeptide having amino acid residues 1 to 114 of Figure 9 (SEQ ID NO:18), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions.

In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO232 polypeptide. In particular, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO232 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 to 114 of Figure 9 (SEQ ID NO:18).

4. PRO187

Applicants have identified a cDNA clone that encodes a novel polypeptide, designated in the present application as "PRO187".

In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO187 polypeptide. In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA encoding the PRO187 polypeptide of Figure 11 (SEQ ID NO:23), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions. In another aspect, the invention provides a nucleic acid comprising the coding sequence of Figure 10 (SEQ ID NO:22) or its complement. In another aspect, the invention provides a nucleic acid of the full length protein of clone DNA27864-1155, deposited with the ATCC under accession number ATCC 209375, alternatively the coding sequence of clone DNA27864-1155,

deposited under accession number ATCC 209375.

In yet another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO187 polypeptide. In particular, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO187 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 to 205 of Figure 11 (SEQ ID NO:23). Alternatively, the invention provides a polypeptide encoded by the nucleic acid deposited under accession number ATCC 209375.

5. PRO265

Applicants have identified a cDNA clone that encodes a novel polypeptide, wherein the polypeptide is designated in the present application as "PRO265".

In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO265 polypeptide. In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA encoding the PRO265 polypeptide having amino acid residues 1 to 660 of Figure 13 (SEQ ID NO:28), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions.

In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO265 polypeptide. In particular, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO265 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 to 660 of Figure 13 (SEQ ID NO:28). An additional embodiment of the present invention is directed to an isolated extracellular domain of a PRO265 polypeptide.

6. PRO219

Applicants have identified a cDNA clone that encodes a novel polypeptide, wherein the polypeptide is designated in the present application as "PRO219".

In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO219 polypeptide. In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA encoding the PRO219 polypeptide having amino acid residues 1 to 915 of Figure 15 (SEQ ID NO:34), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions.

In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO219 polypeptide. In particular, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO219 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 to 915 of Figure 15 (SEQ ID NO:34).

7. PRO246

Applicants have identified a cDNA clone that encodes a novel polypeptide, wherein the polypeptide is designated in the present application as "PRO246".

In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO246 polypeptide. In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA encoding the PRO246 polypeptide having amino acid residues 1 to 390 of Figure 17 (SEQ ID NO:39), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency

conditions.

In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO246 polypeptide. In particular, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO246 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 to 390 of Figure 17 (SEQ ID NO:39). An additional embodiment of the present invention is directed to an isolated extracellular domain of a PRO246 polypeptide.

8. PRO228

Applicants have identified a cDNA clone that encodes a novel polypeptide having homology to CD97, EMR1 and latrophilin, wherein the polypeptide is designated in the present application as "PRO228".

In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO228 polypeptide. In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA encoding the PRO228 polypeptide having amino acid residues 1 to 690 of Figure 19 (SEQ ID NO:49), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions.

In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO228 polypeptide. In particular, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO228 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 to 690 of Figure 19 (SEQ ID NO:49). An additional embodiment of the present invention is directed to an isolated extracellular domain of a PRO228 polypeptide.

In another embodiment, the invention provides an expressed sequence tag (EST) comprising the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:50, designated herein as DNA21951.

9. PRO533

Applicants have identified a cDNA clone (DNA49435-1219) that encodes a novel polypeptide, designated in the present application as PRO533.

In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule having at least about 80% sequence identity to (a) a DNA molecule encoding a PRO533 polypeptide comprising the sequence of amino acids 23 to 216 of Figure 22 (SEQ ID NO:59), or (b) the complement of the DNA molecule of (a). The sequence identity preferably is about 85%, more preferably about 90%, most preferably about 95%. In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid has at least about 80%, preferably at least about 85%, more preferably at least about 90%, and most preferably at least about 95% sequence identity with a polypeptide having amino acid residues 23 to 216 of Figure 22 (SEQ ID NO:59). Preferably, the highest degree of sequence identity occurs within the secreted portion (amino acids 23 to 216 of Figure 22, SEQ ID NO:59). In a further embodiment, the isolated nucleic acid molecule comprises DNA encoding a PRO533 polypeptide having amino acid residues 1 to 216 of Figure 22 (SEQ ID NO:59), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions. In another aspect, the invention provides a nucleic acid of the full length protein of clone DNA49435-1219, deposited with the ATCC under accession number ATCC 209480.

In yet another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO533 polypeptide. In particular, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO533 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence

comprising residues 23 to 216 of Figure 22 (SEQ ID NO:59). Native PRO533 polypeptides with or without the native signal sequence (amino acids 1 to 22 in Figure 22 (SEQ ID NO:59)), and with or without the initiating methionine are specifically included. Alternatively, the invention provides a PRO533 polypeptide encoded by the nucleic acid deposited under accession number ATCC 209480.

10. **PRO245**

Applicants have identified a cDNA clone that encodes a novel polypeptide, wherein the polypeptide is designated in the present application as "PRO245".

In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO245 polypeptide. In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA encoding the PRO245 polypeptide having amino acid residues 1 to 312 of Fig. 24 (SEQ ID NO:64), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions.

In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO245 polypeptide. In particular, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO245 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 to 312 of Figure 24 (SEQ ID NO:64).

11. **PRO220, PRO221 and PRO227**

Applicants have identified cDNA clones that each encode novel polypeptides, all having leucine rich repeats. These polypeptides are designated in the present application as PRO220, PRO221 and PRO227.

In one embodiment, the invention provides isolated nucleic acid molecules comprising DNA respectively encoding PRO220, PRO221 and PRO227, respectively. In one aspect, provided herein is an isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA encoding the PRO220 polypeptide having amino acid residues 1 through 708 of Figure 26 (SEQ ID NO:69), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions. Also provided herein is an isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA encoding the PRO221 polypeptide having amino acid residues 1 through 259 of Figure 28 (SEQ ID NO:71), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions. Moreover, also provided herein is an isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA encoding the PRO227 polypeptide having amino acid residues 1 through 620 of Figure 30 (SEQ ID NO:73), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions.

In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO220, PRO221 and PRO227 polypeptides. In particular, provided herein is the isolated native sequence for the PRO220 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 to 708 of Figure 26 (SEQ ID NO:69). Additionally provided herein is the isolated native sequence for the PRO221 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 to 259 of Figure 28 (SEQ ID NO:71). Moreover, provided herein is the isolated native sequence for the PRO227 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 to 620 of Figure 30 (SEQ ID NO:73).

12. **PRO258**

Applicants have identified a cDNA clone that encodes a novel polypeptide having homology to CRTAM and poliovirus receptor precursors, wherein the polypeptide is designated in the present application as "PRO258".

In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO258 polypeptide. In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA encoding the PRO258 polypeptide having amino acid residues 1 to 398 of Figure 32 (SEQ ID NO:84), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions.

In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO258 polypeptide. In particular, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO258 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 to 398 of Figure 32 (SEQ ID NO:84). An additional embodiment of the present invention is directed to an isolated extracellular domain of a PRO258 polypeptide.

13. **PRO266**

Applicants have identified a cDNA clone that encodes a novel polypeptide, wherein the polypeptide is designated in the present application as "PRO266".

In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO266 polypeptide. In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA encoding the PRO266 polypeptide having amino acid residues 1 to 696 of Figure 34 (SEQ ID NO:91), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions.

In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO266 polypeptide. In particular, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO266 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 to 696 of Figure 34 (SEQ ID NO:91).

14. **PRO269**

Applicants have identified a cDNA clone that encodes a novel polypeptide, wherein the polypeptide is designated in the present application as PRO269.

In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO269 polypeptide. In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA encoding the PRO269 polypeptide having amino acid residues 1 to 490 of Fig. 36 (SEQ ID NO:96), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions.

In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO269 polypeptide. In particular, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO269 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 to 490 of Figure 36 (SEQ ID NO:96). An additional embodiment of the present invention is directed to an isolated extracellular domain of a PRO269 polypeptide.

15. **PRO287**

Applicants have identified a cDNA clone that encodes a novel polypeptide, wherein the polypeptide is designated in the present application as "PRO287".

In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO287 polypeptide. In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA encoding the PRO287 polypeptide having amino acid residues 1 to 415 of Fig. 38 (SEQ ID NO:104), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions.

In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO287 polypeptide. In particular, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO287 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 to 415 of Figure 38 (SEQ ID NO:104).

16. **PRO214**

Applicants have identified a cDNA clone that encodes a novel polypeptide, designated in the present application as "PRO214".

In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO214 polypeptide. In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA encoding the PRO214 polypeptide of Fig. 40 (SEQ ID NO:109), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions. In another aspect, the invention provides a nucleic acid comprising the coding sequence of Fig. 39 (SEQ ID NO:108) or its complement. In another aspect, the invention provides a nucleic acid of the full length protein of clone DNA32286-1191, deposited with ATCC under accession number ATCC 209385.

In yet another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO214 polypeptide. In particular, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO214 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising the residues of Figure 40 (SEQ ID NO:109). Alternatively, the invention provides a polypeptide encoded by the nucleic acid deposited under accession number ATCC 209385.

17. **PRO317**

Applicants have identified a cDNA clone that encodes a novel polypeptide, designated in the present application as "PRO317".

In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding PRO317 polypeptide. In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA (SEQ ID NO:113) encoding PRO317 polypeptide having amino acid residues 1 to 366 of Fig. 42, or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions.

In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO317 polypeptide. In particular, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO317 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 to 366 of Figure 42 (SEQ ID NO:114).

In yet another embodiment, the invention supplies a method of detecting the presence of PRO317 in a sample, the method comprising:

- a) contacting a detectable anti-PRO317 antibody with a sample suspected of containing PRO317; and
- b) detecting binding of the antibody to the sample; wherein the sample is selected from the group consisting of a body fluid, a tissue sample, a cell extract, and a cell culture medium.

In a still further embodiment a method is provided for determining the presence of PRO317 mRNA in a sample, the method comprising:

- 5 a) contacting a sample suspected of containing PRO317 mRNA with a detectable nucleic acid probe that hybridizes under moderate to stringent conditions to PRO317 mRNA; and
- b) detecting hybridization of the probe to the sample.

Preferably, in this method the sample is a tissue sample and the detecting step is by *in situ* hybridization, or the sample is a cell extract and detection is by Northern analysis.

- 10 Further, the invention provides a method for treating a PRO317-associated disorder comprising administering to a mammal an effective amount of the PRO317 polypeptide or a composition thereof containing a carrier, or with an effective amount of a PRO317 agonist or PRO317 antagonist, such as an antibody which binds specifically to PRO317.

15 18. PRO301

Applicants have identified a cDNA clone (DNA40628-1216) that encodes a novel polypeptide, designated in the present application as "PRO301".

- In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule having at least about 80% sequence identity to (a) a DNA molecule encoding a PRO301 polypeptide comprising the sequence of amino acids 28 to 258 of Fig. 44 (SEQ ID NO:119), or (b) the complement of the DNA molecule of (a). The sequence identity preferably is about 85%, more preferably about 90%, most preferably about 95%. In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid has at least about 80%, preferably at least about 85%, more preferably at least about 90%, and most preferably at least about 95% sequence identity with a polypeptide having amino acid residues 28 to 258 of Fig. 44 (SEQ ID NO:119). Preferably, the highest degree of sequence identity occurs within the extracellular domains (amino acids 28 to 258 of Fig. 44, SEQ ID NO:119). In a further embodiment, the isolated nucleic acid molecule comprises DNA encoding a PRO301 polypeptide having amino acid residues 28 to 299 of Fig. 44 (SEQ ID NO:119), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions. In another aspect, the invention provides a nucleic acid of the full length protein of clone DNA40628-1216, deposited with the ATCC under accession number ATCC 209432, alternatively the coding sequence of clone DNA40628-1216, deposited under accession number ATCC 209432.

- In yet another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO301 polypeptide. In particular, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO301 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising the extracellular domain residues 28 to 258 of Figure 44 (SEQ ID NO:119). Native PRO301 polypeptides with or without the native signal sequence (amino acids 1 to 27 in Figure 44 (SEQ ID NO:119), and with or without the initiating methionine are specifically included. Additionally, the sequences of the invention may also comprise the transmembrane domain (residues 236 to about 258 in Figure 44; SEQ ID NO:119) and/or the intracellular domain (about residue 259 to 299 in Figure 44; SEQ ID NO:119). Alternatively, the invention provides a PRO301

polypeptide encoded by the nucleic acid deposited under accession number ATCC 209432.

19. **PRO224**

Applicants have identified a cDNA clone that encodes a novel polypeptide, wherein the polypeptide is designated in the present application as "PRO224".

5 In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO224 polypeptide. In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA encoding the PRO224 polypeptide having amino acid residues 1 to 282 of Figure 46 (SEQ ID NO:127), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions.

10 In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO224 polypeptide. In particular, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO224 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 to 282 of Figure 46 (SEQ ID NO:127).

20. **PRO222**

15 Applicants have identified a cDNA clone that encodes a novel polypeptide, wherein the polypeptide is designated in the present application as "PRO222".

In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO222 polypeptide. In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA encoding the PRO222 polypeptide having amino acid residues 1 to 490 of Fig. 48 (SEQ ID NO:132), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions.

20 In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO222 polypeptide. In particular, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO222 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 to 490 of Figure 48 (SEQ ID NO:132).

21. **PRO234**

25 Applicants have identified a cDNA clone that encodes a novel lectin polypeptide molecule, designated in the present application as "PRO234".

In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid encoding a novel lectin comprising DNA encoding a PRO234 polypeptide. In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises the DNA encoding PRO234 polypeptides having amino acid residues 1 to 382 of Fig. 50 (SEQ ID NO:137), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions. In another aspect, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising the nucleotide sequence of Fig. 49 (SEQ ID NO:136).

30 In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated novel PRO234 polypeptides. In particular, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO234 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 to 382 of Figure 50 (SEQ ID NO:137).

In yet another embodiment, the invention provides oligonucleotide probes useful for isolating genomic and cDNA nucleotide sequences.

22. **PRO231**

Applicants have identified a cDNA clone that encodes a novel polypeptide having homology to a putative acid phosphatase, wherein the polypeptide is designated in the present application as "PRO231".

In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO231 polypeptide. In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA encoding the PRO231 polypeptide having amino acid residues 1 to 428 of Fig. 52 (SEQ ID NO:142), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions.

In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO231 polypeptide. In particular, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO231 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 to 428 of Figure 52 (SEQ ID NO:142).

23. **PRO229**

Applicants have identified a cDNA clone that encodes a novel polypeptide having homology to scavenger receptors wherein the polypeptide is designated in the present application as "PRO229".

In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO229 polypeptide. In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA encoding the PRO229 polypeptide having amino acid residues 1 to 347 of Figure 54 (SEQ ID NO:148), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions.

In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO229 polypeptide. In particular, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO229 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 to 347 of Figure 54 (SEQ ID NO:148).

24. **PRO238**

Applicants have identified a cDNA clone that encodes a novel polypeptide having homology to reductase, wherein the polypeptide is designated in the present application as "PRO238".

In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO238 polypeptide. In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA encoding the PRO238 polypeptide having amino acid residues 1 to 310 of Figure 56 (SEQ ID NO:153), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions.

In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO238 polypeptide. In particular, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO238 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 to 310 of Figure 56 (SEQ ID NO:153).

25. PRO233

Applicants have identified a cDNA clone that encodes a novel polypeptide, wherein the polypeptide is designated in the present application as "PRO233".

In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO233 polypeptide. In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA encoding the PRO233 polypeptide having amino acid residues 1 to 300 of Figure 58 (SEQ ID NO:159), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions.

In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO233 polypeptide. In particular, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO233 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 to 300 of Figure 58 (SEQ ID NO:159).

26. PRO223

Applicants have identified a cDNA clone that encodes a novel polypeptide having homology to serine carboxypeptidase polypeptides, wherein the polypeptide is designated in the present application as "PRO223".

In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO223 polypeptide. In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA encoding the PRO223 polypeptide having amino acid residues 1 to 476 of Figure 60 (SEQ ID NO:164), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions.

In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO223 polypeptide. In particular, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO223 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 to 476 of Figure 60 (SEQ ID NO:164).

27. PRO235

Applicants have identified a cDNA clone that encodes a novel polypeptide, wherein the polypeptide is designated in the present application as "PRO235".

In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO235 polypeptide. In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA encoding the PRO235 polypeptide having amino acid residues 1 to 552 of Figure 62 (SEQ ID NO:170), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions.

In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO235 polypeptide. In particular, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO235 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 to 552 of Figure 62 (SEQ ID NO:170).

28. PRO236 and PRO262

Applicants have identified cDNA clones that encode novel polypeptides having homology to β -galactosidase, wherein those polypeptides are designated in the present application as "PRO236" and "PRO262".

In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO236 polypeptide. In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA encoding the PRO236 polypeptide having amino acid residues 1 to 636 of Figure 64 (SEQ ID NO:175), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions.

In another embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO262 polypeptide. In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA encoding the PRO262 polypeptide having amino acid residues 1 to 654 of Figure 66 (SEQ ID NO:177), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions.

In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO236 polypeptide. In particular, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO236 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 to 636 of Figure 64 (SEQ ID NO:175).

In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO262 polypeptide. In particular, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO262 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 to 654 of Figure 66 (SEQ ID NO:177).

29. PRO239

Applicants have identified a cDNA clone that encodes a novel polypeptide, wherein the polypeptide is designated in the present application as "PRO239".

In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO239 polypeptide. In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA encoding the PRO239 polypeptide having amino acid residues 1 to 501 of Figure 68 (SEQ ID NO:185), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions.

In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO239 polypeptide. In particular, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO239 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 to 501 of Figure 68 (SEQ ID NO:185).

30. PRO257

Applicants have identified a cDNA clone that encodes a novel polypeptide, wherein the polypeptide is designated in the present application as "PRO257".

In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO257 polypeptide. In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA encoding the PRO257 polypeptide having amino acid residues 1 to 607 of Figure 70 (SEQ ID NO:190), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic

acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions

5 In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO257 polypeptide. In particular, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO257 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 to 607 of Figure 70 (SEQ ID NO:190). An additional embodiment of the present invention is directed to an isolated extracellular domain of a PRO257 polypeptide.

31. PRO260

Applicants have identified a cDNA clone that encodes a novel polypeptide, wherein the polypeptide is designated in the present application as "PRO260".

10 In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO260 polypeptide. In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA encoding the PRO260 polypeptide having amino acid residues 1 to 467 of Figure 72 (SEQ ID NO:195), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions.

15 In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO260 polypeptide. In particular, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO260 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 to 467 of Figure 72 (SEQ ID NO:195).

32. PRO263

20 Applicants have identified a cDNA clone that encodes a novel polypeptide having homology to CD44 antigen, wherein the polypeptide is designated in the present application as "PRO263".

25 In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO263 polypeptide. In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA encoding the PRO263 polypeptide having amino acid residues 1 to 322 of Figure 74 (SEQ ID NO:201), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions.

30 In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO263 polypeptide. In particular, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO263 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 to 322 of Figure 74 (SEQ ID NO:201). An additional embodiment of the present invention is directed to an isolated extracellular domain of a PRO263 polypeptide.

33. PRO270

Applicants have identified a cDNA clone that encodes a novel polypeptide, wherein the polypeptide is designated in the present application as "PRO270".

35 In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO270 polypeptide. In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA which includes the sequence encoding the PRO270 polypeptide having amino acid residues 1 to 296 of Fig. 76 (SEQ ID NO:207), or is complementary to

such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions.

In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO270 polypeptide. In particular, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO270 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 to 296 of Figure 76 (SEQ ID NO:207).

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34. **PRO271**

Applicants have identified a cDNA clone that encodes a novel polypeptide having homology to the proteoglycan link protein, wherein the polypeptide is designated in the present application as "PRO271".

10 In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO271 polypeptide. In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA encoding the PRO271 polypeptide having amino acid residues 1 to 360 of Figure 78 (SEQ ID NO:213), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions.

15 In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO271 polypeptide. In particular, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO271 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 to 360 of Figure 78 (SEQ ID NO:213).

35. **PRO272**

20 Applicants have identified a cDNA clone that encodes a novel polypeptide, wherein the polypeptide is designated in the present application as "PRO272".

25 In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO272 polypeptide. In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA encoding the PRO272 polypeptide having amino acid residues 1 to 328 of Figure 80 (SEQ ID NO:221), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions.

In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO272 polypeptide. In particular, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO272 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 to 328 of Figure 80 (SEQ ID NO:211).

30 36. **PRO294**

Applicants have identified a cDNA clone that encodes a novel polypeptide, wherein the polypeptide is designated in the present application as "PRO294".

35 In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO294 polypeptide. In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA encoding the PRO294 polypeptide having amino acid residues 1 to 550 of Figure 82 (SEQ ID NO:227), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions.

In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO294 polypeptide. In particular, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO294 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 to 550 of Figure 82 (SEQ ID NO:227).

37. **PRO295**

Applicants have identified a cDNA clone that encodes a novel polypeptide, wherein the polypeptide is designated in the present application as "PRO295".

In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO295 polypeptide. In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA encoding the PRO295 polypeptide having amino acid residues 1 to 350 of Figure 84 (SEQ ID NO:236), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions.

In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO295 polypeptide. In particular, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO295 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 to 350 of Figure 84 (SEQ ID NO:236).

38. **PRO293**

Applicants have identified a cDNA clone that encodes a novel human neuronal leucine rich repeat polypeptide, wherein the polypeptide is designated in the present application as "PRO293".

In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO293 polypeptide. In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA encoding the PRO293 polypeptide having amino acid residues 1 to 713 of Figure 86 (SEQ ID NO:245), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions.

In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO293 polypeptide. In particular, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO293 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 to 713 of Figure 86 (SEQ ID NO:245). An additional embodiment of the present invention is directed to an isolated extracellular domain of a PRO293 polypeptide.

39. **PRO247**

Applicants have identified a cDNA clone that encodes a novel polypeptide having leucine rich repeats wherein the polypeptide is designated in the present application as "PRO247".

In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO247 polypeptide. In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA encoding the PRO247 polypeptide having amino acid residues 1 to 546 of Figure 88 (SEQ ID NO:250), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions.

In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO247 polypeptide. In particular, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO247 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 to 546 of Figure 88 (SEQ ID NO:250). An additional embodiment of the present invention is directed to an isolated extracellular domain of a PRO247 polypeptide.

5 40. PRO302, PRO303, PRO304, PRO307 and PRO343

Applicants have identified cDNA clones that encode novel polypeptides having homology to various proteases, wherein those polypeptide are designated in the present application as "PRO302", "PRO303", "PRO304", "PRO307" and "PRO343" polypeptides.

10 In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO302 polypeptide. In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA encoding the PRO302 polypeptide having amino acid residues 1 to 452 of Figure 90 (SEQ ID NO:255), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions.

15 In another embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO303 polypeptide. In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA encoding the PRO303 polypeptide having amino acid residues 1 to 314 of Figure 92 (SEQ ID NO:257), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions.

20 In yet another embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO304 polypeptide. In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA encoding the PRO304 polypeptide having amino acid residues 1 to 556 of Figure 94 (SEQ ID NO:259), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions.

25 In another embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO307 polypeptide. In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA encoding the PRO307 polypeptide having amino acid residues 1 to 383 of Figure 96 (SEQ ID NO:261), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions.

30 In another embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO343 polypeptide. In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA encoding the PRO343 polypeptide having amino acid residues 1 to 317 of Figure 98 (SEQ ID NO:263), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions.

35 In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO302 polypeptide. In particular, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO302 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 to 452 of Figure 90 (SEQ ID NO:255).

In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO303 polypeptide. In particular, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO303 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 to 314 of Figure 92 (SEQ ID NO:257).

5 In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO304 polypeptide. In particular, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO304 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 to 556 of Figure 94 (SEQ ID NO:259).

In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO307 polypeptide. In particular, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO307 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 to 383 of Figure 96 (SEQ ID NO:261).

10 In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO343 polypeptide. In particular, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO343 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 to 317 of Figure 98 (SEQ ID NO:263).

41. PRO328

15 Applicants have identified a cDNA clone that encodes a novel polypeptide, wherein the polypeptide is designated in the present application as "PRO328".

In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO328 polypeptide. In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA encoding the PRO328 polypeptide having amino acid residues 1 to 463 of Figure 100 (SEQ ID NO:285), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions.

20 In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO328 polypeptide. In particular, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO328 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 to 463 of Figure 100 (SEQ ID NO:285). An additional embodiment of the present invention is directed to an isolated extracellular domain of a PRO306 polypeptide.

42. PRO335, PRO331 and PRO326

25 Applicants have identified three cDNA clones that respectively encode three novel polypeptides, each having leucine rich repeats and homology to LIG-1 and ALS. These polypeptides are designated in the present application as PRO335, PRO331 and PRO326, respectively.

30 In one embodiment, the invention provides three isolated nucleic acid molecules comprising DNA respectively encoding PRO335, PRO331 and PRO326, respectively. In one aspect, herein is provided an isolated nucleic acid comprising DNA encoding the PRO335 polypeptide having amino acid residues 1 through 1059 of Figure 102 (SEQ ID NO:290), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions. Also provided herein is an isolated nucleic acid comprising DNA encoding the PRO331 polypeptide having amino acid residues 1 through 640 of Figure 104 (SEQ ID NO:292), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions. Additionally provided herein is an

isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA encoding the PRO326 polypeptide having amino acid residues 1 through 1119 of Figure 106 (SEQ ID NO:294), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions.

In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO335, PRO331 and PRO326 polypeptides or extracellular domains thereof. In particular, the invention provides isolated native sequence for the PRO335 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 through 1059 of Figure 102 (SEQ ID NO:290). Also provided herein is the isolated native sequence for the PRO331 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 through 640 of Figure 104 (SEQ ID NO:292). Also provided herein is the isolated native sequence for the PRO326 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 through 1119 of Figure 106 (SEQ ID NO:294).

43. PRO332

Applicants have identified a cDNA clone (DNA40982-1235) that encodes a novel polypeptide, designated in the present application as "PRO332."

In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA having at least about 80% sequence identity to (a) a DNA molecule encoding a PRO358 polypeptide comprising the sequence of amino acids 49 to 642 of Fig. 108 (SEQ ID NO:310), or (b) the complement of the DNA molecule of (a). The sequence identity preferably is about 85%, more preferably about 90%, most preferably about 95%. In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid has at least about 80%, preferably at least about 85%, more preferably at least about 90%, and most preferably at least about 95% sequence identity with a polypeptide having amino acid residues 1 to 642 of Fig. 108 (SEQ ID NO:310). Preferably, the highest degree of sequence identity occurs within the leucine-rich repeat domains (amino acids 116 to 624 of Fig. 108, SEQ ID NO:310). In a further embodiment, the isolated nucleic acid molecule comprises DNA encoding a PRO332 polypeptide having amino acid residues 49 to 642 of Fig. 108 (SEQ ID NO:310), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions.

In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO332 polypeptides. In particular, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO332 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 49 to 624 of Figure 108 (SEQ ID NO:310). Native PRO332 polypeptides with or without the native signal sequence (amino acids 1 to 48 in Figure 108, SEQ ID NO:310), and with or without the initiating methionine are specifically included.

44. PRO334

Applicants have identified a cDNA clone that encodes a novel polypeptide having homology to fibulin and fibrillin, wherein the polypeptide is designated in the present application as "PRO334".

In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO334 polypeptide. In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA encoding the PRO334 polypeptide having amino acid residues 1 to 509 of Figure 110 (SEQ ID NO:315), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency

conditions.

In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO334 polypeptide. In particular, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO334 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 to 509 of Figure 110 (SEQ ID NO:315).

5 45. **PRO346**

Applicants have identified a cDNA clone (DNA44167-1243) that encodes a novel polypeptide, designated in the present application as "PRO346."

10 In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule having at least about 80% sequence identity to (a) a DNA molecule encoding a PRO346 polypeptide comprising the sequence of amino acids 19 to 339 of Fig. 112 (SEQ ID NO: 320), or (b) the complement of the DNA molecule of (a). The sequence identity preferably is about 85%, more preferably about 90%, most preferably about 95%. In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid has at least about 80%, preferably at least about 85%, more preferably at least about 90%, and most preferably at least about 95% sequence identity with a polypeptide having amino acid residues 19 to 339 of Fig. 112 (SEQ ID NO:320). Preferably, the highest degree of sequence identity occurs within the extracellular domains (amino acids 15 19 to 339 of Fig. 112, SEQ ID NO:320). In alternative embodiments, the polypeptide by which the homology is measured comprises the residues 1-339, 19-360 or 19-450 of Fig. 112, SEQ ID NO:320). In a further embodiment, the isolated nucleic acid molecule comprises DNA encoding a PRO346 polypeptide having amino acid residues 19 to 339 of Fig. 112 (SEQ ID NO:320), alternatively residues 1-339, 19-360 or 19-450 of Fig. 112 (SEQ ID NO:320) or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions. In another aspect, the invention provides a nucleic acid of the full 20 length protein of clone DNA44167-1243, deposited with the ATCC under accession number ATCC 209434, alternatively the coding sequence of clone DNA44167-1243, deposited under accession number ATCC 209434.

25 In yet another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO346 polypeptide. In particular, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO346 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 19 to 339 of Figure 112 (SEQ ID NO:320). Native PRO346 polypeptides with or without the native signal sequence (residues 1 to 18 in Figure 112 (SEQ ID NO:320), with or without the initiating methionine, with or without the transmembrane domain (residues 340 to 360) and with or without the intracellular domain (residues 361 to 450) are specifically included. Alternatively, the invention provides a PRO346 polypeptide encoded 30 by the nucleic acid deposited under accession number ATCC 209434.

 46. **PRO268**

Applicants have identified a cDNA clone that encodes a novel polypeptide having homology to protein disulfide isomerase, wherein the polypeptide is designated in the present application as "PRO268".

35 In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO268 polypeptide. In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA encoding the PRO268 polypeptide having amino acid residues 1 to 280 of Figure 114 (SEQ ID NO:325), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency

conditions.

In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO268 polypeptide. In particular, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO268 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 to 280 of Figure 114 (SEQ ID NO:325). An additional embodiment of the present invention is directed to an isolated extracellular domain of a PRO268 polypeptide.

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47. **PRO330**

Applicants have identified a cDNA clone that encodes a novel polypeptide having homology to the alpha subunit of prolyl 4-hydroxylase, wherein the polypeptide is designated in the present application as "PRO330".

10 In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO330 polypeptide. In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA encoding the PRO330 polypeptide having amino acid residues 1 to 533 of Figure 116 (SEQ ID NO:332), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions.

15 In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO330 polypeptide. In particular, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO330 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 to 533 of Figure 116 (SEQ ID NO:332).

48. **PRO339 and PRO310**

20 Applicants have identified two cDNA clones wherein each clone encodes a novel polypeptide having homology to fringe, wherein the polypeptides are designated in the present application as "PRO339" and "PRO310".

In one embodiment, the invention provides isolated nucleic acid molecules comprising DNA encoding a PRO339 and/or a PRO310 polypeptide. In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA encoding the PRO339 polypeptide having amino acid residues 1 to 772 of Figure 118 (SEQ ID NO:339), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions. In another aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA encoding the PRO310 polypeptide having amino acid residues 1 to 318 of Figure 120 (SEQ ID NO:341), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions.

30 In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO339 as well as isolated PRO310 polypeptides. In particular, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO339 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 to 772 of Figure 118 (SEQ ID NO:339). The invention further provides isolated native sequence PRO310 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 to 318 of Figure 120 (SEQ ID NO:341).

35 49. **PRO244**

Applicants have identified a cDNA clone that encodes a novel polypeptide, designated in the present application as "PRO244".

In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding PRO244 polypeptide. In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA encoding PRO244 polypeptide having amino acid residues 1 to 219 of Fig. 122 (SEQ ID NO:377), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid sequence, and remains stably bound to it under at least moderate, and optionally, under high stringency conditions.

In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO244 polypeptide. In particular, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO244 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 to 219 of Figure 122 (SEQ ID NO:377).

50. Additional Embodiments

In other embodiments of the present invention, the invention provides vectors comprising DNA encoding any of the above or below described polypeptides. A host cell comprising any such vector is also provided. By way of example, the host cells may be CHO cells, *E. coli*, or yeast. A process for producing any of the above or below described polypeptides is further provided and comprises culturing host cells under conditions suitable for expression of the desired polypeptide and recovering the desired polypeptide from the cell culture.

In other embodiments, the invention provides chimeric molecules comprising any of the above or below described polypeptides fused to a heterologous polypeptide or amino acid sequence. An example of such a chimeric molecule comprises any of the above or below described polypeptides fused to an epitope tag sequence or a Fc region of an immunoglobulin.

In another embodiment, the invention provides an antibody which specifically binds to any of the above or below described polypeptides. Optionally, the antibody is a monoclonal antibody.

In yet other embodiments, the invention provides oligonucleotide probes useful for isolating genomic and cDNA nucleotide sequences, wherein those probes may be derived from any of the above or below described nucleotide sequences.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

Figure 1 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:1) of a native sequence PRO211 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:1 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ185" and/or "DNA32292-1131".

Figure 2 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:2) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:1 shown in Figure 1.

Figure 3 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:3) of a native sequence PRO217 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:3 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ191" and/or "DNA33094-1131".

Figure 4 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:4) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:3 shown in Figure 3.

Figure 5 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:11) of a native sequence PRO230 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:11 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ204" and/or "DNA33223-1136".

Figure 6 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:12) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:11 shown in Figure 5.

Figure 7 shows a nucleotide sequence designated herein as DNA20088 (SEQ ID NO:13).

Figure 8 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:17) of a native sequence PRO232 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:17 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ206" and/or "DNA34435-1140".

Figure 9 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:18) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:17 shown in Figure 8.

5 Figure 10 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:22) of a native sequence PRO187 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:22 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ161" and/or "DNA27864-1155".

Figure 11 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:23) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:22 shown in Figure 10.

Figure 12 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:27) of a native sequence PRO265 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:27 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ232" and/or "DNA36350-1158".

10 Figure 13 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:28) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:27 shown in Figure 12.

Figures 14A-B show a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:33) of a native sequence PRO219 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:33 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ193" and/or "DNA32290-1164".

15 Figure 15 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:34) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:33 shown in Figures 14A-B.

Figure 16 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:38) of a native sequence PRO246 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:38 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ220" and/or "DNA35639-1172".

Figure 17 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:39) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:38 shown in Figure 16.

20 Figure 18 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:48) of a native sequence PRO228 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:48 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ202" and/or "DNA33092-1202".

Figure 19 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:49) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:48 shown in Figure 18.

Figure 20 shows a nucleotide sequence designated herein as DNA21951 (SEQ ID NO:50).

25 Figure 21 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:58) of a native sequence PRO533 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:58 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ344" and/or "DNA49435-1219".

Figure 22 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:59) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:58 shown in Figure 21.

30 Figure 23 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:63) of a native sequence PRO245 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:63 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ219" and/or "DNA35638-1141".

Figure 24 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:64) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:63 shown in Figure 23.

Figure 25 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:68) of a native sequence PRO220 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:68 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ194" and/or "DNA32298-1132".

35 Figure 26 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:69) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:68 shown in Figure 25.

Figure 27 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:70) of a native sequence PRO221 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:70 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ195" and/or "DNA33089-1132".

Figure 28 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:71) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:70 shown in Figure 27.

5 Figure 29 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:72) of a native sequence PRO227 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:72 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ201" and/or "DNA33786-1132".

Figure 30 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:73) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:72 shown in Figure 29.

Figure 31 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:83) of a native sequence PRO258 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:83 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ225" and/or "DNA35918-1174".

10 Figure 32 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:84) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:83 shown in Figure 31.

Figure 33 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:90) of a native sequence PRO266 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:90 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ233" and/or "DNA37150-1178".

15 Figure 34 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:91) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:90 shown in Figure 33.

Figure 35 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:95) of a native sequence PRO269 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:95 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ236" and/or "DNA38260-1180".

Figure 36 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:96) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:95 shown in Figure 35.

20 Figure 37 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:103) of a native sequence PRO287 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:103 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ250" and/or "DNA39969-1185".

Figure 38 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:104) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:103 shown in Figure 37.

25 Figure 39 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:108) of a native sequence PRO214 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:108 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ188" and/or "DNA32286-1191".

Figure 40 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:109) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:108 shown in Figure 39.

Figure 41 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:113) of a native sequence PRO317 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:113 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ278" and/or "DNA33461-1199".

30 Figure 42 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:114) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:113 shown in Figure 41.

Figure 43 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:118) of a native sequence PRO301 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:118 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ264" and/or "DNA40628-1216".

35 Figure 44 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:119) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:118 shown in Figure 43.

Figure 45 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:126) of a native sequence PRO224 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:126 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ198" and/or "DNA33221-1133".

Figure 46 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:127) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:126 shown in Figure 45.

Figure 47 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:131) of a native sequence PRO222 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:131 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ196" and/or "DNA33107-1135".

5 Figure 48 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:132) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:131 shown in Figure 47.

Figure 49 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:136) of a native sequence PRO234 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:136 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ208" and/or "DNA35557-1137".

Figure 50 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:137) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:136 shown in Figure 49.

10 Figure 51 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:141) of a native sequence PRO231 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:141 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ205" and/or "DNA34434-1139".

Figure 52 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:142) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:141 shown in Figure 51.

15 Figure 53 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:147) of a native sequence PRO229 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:147 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ203" and/or "DNA33100-1159".

Figure 54 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:148) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:147 shown in Figure 53.

Figure 55 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:152) of a native sequence PRO238 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:152 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ212" and/or "DNA35600-1162".

20 Figure 56 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:153) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:152 shown in Figure 55.

Figure 57 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:158) of a native sequence PRO233 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:158 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ207" and/or "DNA34436-1238".

25 Figure 58 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:159) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:158 shown in Figure 57.

Figure 59 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:163) of a native sequence PRO223 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:163 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ197" and/or "DNA33206-1165".

Figure 60 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:164) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:163 shown in Figure 59.

30 Figure 61 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:169) of a native sequence PRO235 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:169 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ209" and/or "DNA35558-1167".

Figure 62 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:170) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:169 shown in Figure 61.

35 Figure 63 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:174) of a native sequence PRO236 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:174 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ210" and/or "DNA35599-1168".

Figure 64 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:175) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:174 shown in Figure 63.

Figure 65 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:176) of a native sequence PRO262 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:176 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ229" and/or "DNA36992-1168".

Figure 66 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:177) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:176 shown in Figure 65.

5 Figure 67 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:184) of a native sequence PRO239 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:184 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ213" and/or "DNA34407-1169".

Figure 68 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:185) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:184 shown in Figure 67.

Figure 69 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:189) of a native sequence PRO257 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:189 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ224" and/or "DNA35841-1173".

10 Figure 70 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:190) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:189 shown in Figure 69.

Figure 71 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:194) of a native sequence PRO260 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:194 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ227" and/or "DNA33470-1175".

15 Figure 72 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:195) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:194 shown in Figure 71.

Figure 73 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:200) of a native sequence PRO263 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:200 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ230" and/or "DNA34431-1177".

Figure 74 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:201) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:200 shown in Figure 73.

20 Figure 75 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:206) of a native sequence PRO270 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:206 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ237" and/or "DNA39510-1181".

Figure 76 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:207) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:206 shown in Figure 75.

25 Figure 77 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:212) of a native sequence PRO271 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:212 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ238" and/or "DNA39423-1182".

Figure 78 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:213) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:212 shown in Figure 77.

Figure 79 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:220) of a native sequence PRO272 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:220 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ239" and/or "DNA40620-1183".

30 Figure 80 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:221) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:220 shown in Figure 79.

Figure 81 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:226) of a native sequence PRO294 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:226 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ257" and/or "DNA40604-1187".

35 Figure 82 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:227) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:226 shown in Figure 81.

Figure 83 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:235) of a native sequence PRO295 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:235 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ258" and/or "DNA38268-1188".

Figure 84 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:236) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:235 shown in Figure 83.

Figures 85A-B show a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:244) of a native sequence PRO293 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:244 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ256" and/or "DNA37151-1193".

5 Figure 86 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:245) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:244 shown in Figures 85A-B.

Figures 89A-B show a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:249) of a native sequence PRO247 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:249 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ221" and/or "DNA35673-1201".

Figure 88 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:250) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:249 shown in Figure 87.

10 Figure 89 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:254) of a native sequence PRO302 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:254 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ265" and/or "DNA40370-1217".

Figure 90 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:255) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:254 shown in Figure 89.

15 Figure 91 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:256) of a native sequence PRO303 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:256 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ266" and/or "DNA42551-1217".

Figure 92 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:257) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:256 shown in Figure 91.

Figure 93 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:258) of a native sequence PRO304 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:258 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ267" and/or "DNA39520-1217".

20 Figure 94 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:259) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:258 shown in Figure 93.

Figure 95 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:260) of a native sequence PRO307 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:260 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ270" and/or "DNA41225-1217".

25 Figure 96 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:261) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:260 shown in Figure 95.

Figure 97 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:262) of a native sequence PRO343 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:262 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ302" and/or "DNA43318-1217".

Figure 98 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:263) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:262 shown in Figure 97.

30 Figure 99 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:284) of a native sequence PRO328 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:284 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ289" and/or "DNA40587-1231".

Figure 100 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:285) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:284 shown in Figure 99.

35 Figures 101A-B show a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:289) of a native sequence PRO335 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:289 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ287" and/or "DNA41388-1234".

Figure 102 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:290) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:289 shown in Figures 103A-B.

Figure 103 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:291) of a native sequence PRO331 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:291 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ292" and/or "DNA40981-1234".

Figure 104 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:292) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:291 shown in Figure 103.

Figures 105A-B show a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:293) of a native sequence PRO326 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:293 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ287" and/or "DNA37140-1234".

Figure 106 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:294) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:293 shown in Figures 105A-B.

Figures 107A-B show a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:309) of a native sequence PRO332 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:309 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ293" or "DNA40982-1235".

Figure 108 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:310) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:309 shown in Figure 107.

Figure 109 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:314) of a native sequence PRO334 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:314 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ295" or "DNA41379-1236".

Figure 110 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:315) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:314 shown in Figure 109.

Figure 111 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:319) of a native sequence PRO346 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:319 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ305" or "DNA44167-1243".

Figure 112 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:320) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:319 shown in Figure 111.

Figure 113 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:324) of a native sequence PRO268 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:324 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ235" or "DNA39427-1179".

Figure 114 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:325) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:324 shown in Figure 113.

Figure 115 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:331) of a native sequence PRO330 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:331 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ290" or "DNA40603-1232".

Figure 116 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:332) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:331 shown in Figure 115.

Figure 117 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:338) of a native sequence PRO339 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:338 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ229" or "DNA43466-1225".

Figure 118 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:339) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:338 shown in Figure 117.

Figure 119 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:340) of a native sequence PRO310 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:340 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ273" or "DNA43046-1225".

Figure 120 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:341) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:340 shown in Figure 119.

Figure 121 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:376) of a native sequence PRO244 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:376 is a clone designated herein as "UNQ218" or "DNA35668-1171".

Figure 122 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:377) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:376 shown in Figure 121.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS

Definitions

The terms "PRO polypeptide" and "PRO" as used herein and when immediately followed by a numerical designation refer to various polypeptides, wherein the complete designation (i.e., PRO/number) refers to specific polypeptide sequences as described herein. The terms "PRO/number polypeptide" and "PRO/number" as used herein encompass native sequence polypeptides and polypeptide variants (which are further defined herein). The PRO polypeptides described herein may be isolated from a variety of sources, such as from human tissue types or from another source, or prepared by recombinant or synthetic methods.

A "native sequence PRO polypeptide" comprises a polypeptide having the same amino acid sequence as the corresponding PRO polypeptide derived from nature. Such native sequence PRO polypeptides can be isolated from nature or can be produced by recombinant or synthetic means. The term "native sequence PRO polypeptide" specifically encompasses naturally-occurring truncated or secreted forms of the specific PRO polypeptide (e.g., an extracellular domain sequence), naturally-occurring variant forms (e.g., alternatively spliced forms) and naturally-occurring allelic variants of the polypeptide. In various embodiments of the invention, the native sequence PRO211 is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO211 polypeptide comprising amino acids 1 to 353 of Figure 2 (SEQ ID NO:2), the native sequence PRO217 is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO217 polypeptide comprising amino acids 1 to 379 of Figure 4 (SEQ ID NO:4), the native sequence PRO230 is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO230 polypeptide comprising amino acids 1 to 467 of Figure 6 (SEQ ID NO:12), the native sequence PRO232 polypeptide is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO232 polypeptide comprising amino acids 1 to 114 of Figure 9 (SEQ ID NO:18), the native sequence PRO187 is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO187 comprising amino acids 1 to 205 of Figure 11 (SEQ ID NO:23), the native sequence PRO265 polypeptide is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO265 polypeptide comprising amino acids 1 to 660 of Figure 13 (SEQ ID NO:28) or the native sequence PRO265 polypeptide is an extracellular domain of the full-length PRO265 protein, wherein the putative transmembrane domain of the full-length PRO265 protein is encoded by nucleotides beginning at nucleotide 1969 of SEQ ID NO:31, the native sequence PRO219 polypeptide is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO219 polypeptide comprising amino acids 1 to 915 of Figure 15 (SEQ ID NO:34), the native sequence PRO246 polypeptide is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO246 polypeptide comprising amino acids 1 to 390 of Figure 17 (SEQ ID NO:39) or the native sequence PRO246 polypeptide is an extracellular domain of the full-length PRO246 protein, wherein the putative transmembrane domain of the full-length PRO246 protein is encoded by nucleotides beginning at nucleotide 855 as shown in Figure 16, the native sequence PRO228 polypeptide is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO228 polypeptide comprising amino acids 1 to 690 of Figure 19 (SEQ ID NO:49) or the native sequence PRO228 polypeptide is an extracellular domain of the full-length PRO228 protein, the native sequence PRO533 is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO533 comprising amino acids 1 to 216 of Figure 22 (SEQ ID NO:59), with or without the N-terminal signal sequence, and with or without the initiating methionine at position 1, the native sequence PRO245 polypeptide is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO245 polypeptide

comprising amino acids 1 to 312 of Figure 24 (SEQ ID NO:64), the native sequence of each PRO220, PRO221 and PRO227 polypeptides is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO220, PRO221 and PRO227 polypeptide comprising amino acids 1 through 708 of Figure 26 (SEQ ID NO:69), 1 through 259 of Figure 28 (SEQ ID NO:71), and 1 through 620 of Figure 30 (SEQ ID NO:73), the native sequence PRO258 polypeptide is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO258 polypeptide comprising amino acids 1 to 398 of Figure 32 (SEQ ID NO:84) or the native sequence PRO258 polypeptide is an extracellular domain of the full-length PRO258 protein, wherein the putative transmembrane domain of the full-length PRO258 protein is encoded by nucleotides beginning at nucleotide 1134 of SEQ ID NO:83, the native sequence PRO266 polypeptide is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO266 polypeptide comprising amino acids 1 to 696 of Figure 34 (SEQ ID NO:91) or the native sequence PRO266 polypeptide is an extracellular domain of the full-length PRO266 protein, wherein the putative transmembrane domain of the full-length PRO266 protein is encoded by nucleotides beginning at about nucleotide 2009 of SEQ ID NO:104, the native sequence PRO269 polypeptide is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO269 polypeptide comprising amino acids 1 to 490 of Figure 36 (SEQ ID NO:96) or the native sequence PRO269 polypeptide is an extracellular domain of the full-length PRO269 protein, wherein the putative transmembrane domain of the full-length PRO269 protein is encoded by nucleotides beginning at nucleotide 1502 as shown in Figure 35, the native sequence PRO287 polypeptide is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO287 polypeptide comprising amino acids 1 to 415 of Figure 38 (SEQ ID NO:104), the native sequence PRO214 is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO214 comprising amino acids 1 to 420 of Fig. 40 (SEQ ID NO:109), the native sequence PRO317 is a full-length native-pre-sequence PRO317 comprising amino acids 1 to 366 of Fig. 42 (SEQ ID NO:114) or a mature native-sequence PRO317 comprising amino acids 19 to 366 of Fig. 42 (SEQ ID NO:114), the native sequence PRO301 is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO301 comprising amino acids 1 to 299 of Fig. 44 (SEQ ID NO:119), with or without the N-terminal signal sequence, with or without the initiating methionine at position 1, with or without the potential transmembrane domain at position 236 to about 258, and with or without the intracellular domain at about position 259 to 299, the native sequence PRO224 polypeptide is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO224 polypeptide comprising amino acids 1 to 282 of Figure 46 (SEQ ID NO:127), the native sequence PRO222 polypeptide is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO222 polypeptide comprising amino acids 1 to 490 of Figure 48 (SEQ ID NO:132), the native sequence PRO234 is a mature or full-length native sequence novel lectin comprising amino acids 1 to 382 of Fig. 50 (SEQ ID NO:137), the native sequence PRO231 polypeptide is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO231 polypeptide comprising amino acids 1 to 428 of Figure 52 (SEQ ID NO:142), the native sequence PRO229 polypeptide is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO229 polypeptide comprising amino acids 1 to 347 of Figure 54 (SEQ ID NO:148), the native sequence PRO238 polypeptide is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO238 polypeptide comprising amino acids 1 to 310 of Figure 56 (SEQ ID NO:153), the native sequence PRO233 polypeptide is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO233 polypeptide comprising amino acids 1 to 300 of Figure 58 (SEQ ID NO:159), the native sequence PRO223 polypeptide is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO223 polypeptide comprising amino acids 1 to 476 of Figure 60 (SEQ ID NO:164), the native sequence PRO235 polypeptide is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO235 polypeptide comprising amino acids 1 to 552 of Figure 62 (SEQ ID NO:170), the native sequence PRO236 polypeptide is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO236 polypeptide comprising amino acids 1 to 636 of Figure 64 (SEQ ID NO:175), the native sequence PRO262

polypeptide is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO262 polypeptide comprising amino acids 1 to 654 of Figure 66 (SEQ ID NO:177), the native sequence PRO239 polypeptide is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO239 polypeptide comprising amino acids 1 to 501 of Figure 68 (SEQ ID NO:185), the native sequence PRO257 polypeptide is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO257 polypeptide comprising amino acids 1 to 607 of Figure 70 (SEQ ID NO:190) or the native sequence PRO257 polypeptide is an extracellular domain of the full-length PRO257 protein, wherein the putative transmembrane domain of the full-length PRO257 protein is encoded by nucleotides beginning at nucleotide 2668 as shown in Figure 69, the native sequence PRO260 polypeptide is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO260 polypeptide comprising amino acids 1 to 467 of Figure 72 (SEQ ID NO:195), the native sequence PRO263 polypeptide is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO263 polypeptide comprising amino acids 1 to 322 of Figure 74 (SEQ ID NO:201) or the native sequence PRO263 polypeptide is an extracellular domain of the full-length PRO263 protein, wherein the putative transmembrane domain of the full-length PRO263 protein is encoded by nucleotides beginning at nucleotide 868 of SEQ ID NO:200, the native sequence PRO270 polypeptide is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO270 polypeptide comprising amino acids 1 to 296 of Figure 76 (SEQ ID NO:207), the native sequence PRO271 polypeptide is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO271 polypeptide comprising amino acids 1 to 360 of Figure 78 (SEQ ID NO:213), the native sequence PRO272 polypeptide is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO272 polypeptide comprising amino acids 1 to 328 of Figure 80 (SEQ ID NO:221), the native sequence PRO294 polypeptide is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO294 polypeptide comprising amino acids 1 to 550 of Figure 82 (SEQ ID NO:227), the native sequence PRO295 polypeptide is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO295 polypeptide comprising amino acids 1 to 350 of Figure 84 (SEQ ID NO:236), the native sequence PRO293 polypeptide is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO293 polypeptide comprising amino acids 1 to 713 of Figure 86 (SEQ ID NO:245) or the native sequence PRO293 polypeptide is an extracellular domain of the full-length PRO293 protein, wherein the putative transmembrane domain of the full-length PRO293 protein is encoded by nucleotides beginning at nucleotide 2771 of SEQ ID NO:244, the native sequence PRO247 polypeptide is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO247 polypeptide comprising amino acids 1 to 546 of Figure 88 (SEQ ID NO:250), the native sequence PRO302 polypeptide is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO302 polypeptide comprising amino acids 1 to 452 of Figure 90 (SEQ ID NO:255), the native sequence PRO303 polypeptide is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO303 polypeptide comprising amino acids 1 to 314 of Figure 92 (SEQ ID NO:257), the native sequence PRO304 polypeptide is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO304 polypeptide comprising amino acids 1 to 556 of Figure 94 (SEQ ID NO:259), the native sequence PRO307 polypeptide is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO307 polypeptide comprising amino acids 1 to 383 of Figure 96 (SEQ ID NO:261), the native sequence PRO343 polypeptide is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO343 polypeptide comprising amino acids 1 to 317 of Figure 98 (SEQ ID NO:263), the native sequence PRO328 polypeptide is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO328 polypeptide comprising amino acids 1 to 463 of Figure 100 (SEQ ID NO:285) or the native sequence PRO306 polypeptide is an extracellular domain of the full-length PRO306 protein, wherein the putative extracellular domain of the full-length PRO306 protein, the native sequence PRO335 polypeptide is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO335 polypeptide comprising amino acids 1 through 1059 of Figure 102 (SEQ ID NO:290), the native sequence PRO331 polypeptide is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO331 polypeptide comprising amino acids 1 through 640 of Figure 104

(SEQ ID NO:292), the native sequence PRO326 polypeptide is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO326 polypeptide comprising amino acids 1 through 1119 of Figure 106 (SEQ ID NO:294), wherein additional embodiments include wherein the transmembrane regions are deleted or the peptides are truncated, so as to not include the transmembrane regions for each of PRO335, PRO331, and PRO326, the native sequence PRO332 is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO332 comprising amino acids 49 to 642 of Fig. 180 (SEQ ID NO:310), without or without the N-terminal signal sequence, and with or without the initiating methionine at position 1, the native sequence PRO334 polypeptide is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO334 polypeptide comprising amino acids 1 to 509 of Figure 110 (SEQ ID NO:315), the native sequence PRO346 is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO346 comprising amino acids 19 to 339 of Fig. 112 (SEQ ID NO:320), with or without the N-terminal signal sequence, with or without the initiating methionine, with or without the transmembrane domain at positions 340 to 360 and with or without the intracellular domain at positions 361 to 450, the native sequence PRO268 polypeptide is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO268 polypeptide comprising amino acids 1 to 280 of Figure 114 (SEQ ID NO:325) or the native sequence PRO268 polypeptide is an extracellular domain of the full-length PRO268 protein, wherein the putative transmembrane domain of the full-length PRO268 protein is encoded by nucleotides beginning at nucleotide 559 as shown in Figure 113, the native sequence PRO330 polypeptide is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO330 polypeptide comprising amino acids 1 to 533 of Figure 116 (SEQ ID NO:332), the native sequence PRO339 polypeptide is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO339 polypeptide comprising amino acids 1 to 772 of Figure 118 (SEQ ID NO:339), the native sequence PRO310 polypeptide is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO310 polypeptide comprising amino acids 1 to 318 of Figure 120 (SEQ ID NO:341) and the native sequence PRO244 is a mature or full-length native sequence PRO244 comprising amino acids 1 to 219 of Fig. 122 (SEQ ID NO:377), wherein the mature, full-length native-sequence PRO244 protein comprises a cytoplasmic domain (about amino acid positions 1 to 20), a transmembrane domain (about amino acid positions 21 to 46), and an extracellular domain (about amino acid positions 47 to 219). Within the extracellular domain, the C-lectin domain is between about amino acid position 55 and about amino acid position 206. Native sequence PRO244 as shown in Figure 122 maps to chromosome 12, bands p12-p13.

"PRO polypeptide variant" means an active PRO polypeptide as defined above or below having at least about 80% amino acid sequence identity with the full-length native sequence PRO polypeptide sequence as disclosed herein. Such PRO polypeptide variants include, for instance, PRO polypeptides wherein one or more amino acid residues are added, or deleted, at the N- or C-terminus of the full-length native amino acid sequence. Ordinarily, a PRO polypeptide variant will have at least about 80% amino acid sequence identity, more preferably at least about 90% amino acid sequence identity, and even more preferably at least about 95% amino acid sequence identity with the amino acid sequence of the full-length native amino acid sequence as disclosed herein.

"PRO317 variants" or "PRO317 sequence variants" as defined herein mean biologically active PRO317s as defined below having less than 100% sequence identity with the PRO317 isolated from recombinant cell culture or from mammalian fetal kidney tissue having the deduced sequence described in Figure 42. Ordinarily, a biologically active PRO317 variant will have an amino acid sequence having at least about 70% amino acid sequence identity with the PRO317 of Figure 42, preferably at least about 75%, more preferably at least about 80%, still more preferably at least about 85%, even more preferably at least about 90%, and most preferably at least about 95% (*i.e.*,

70-100%, 75-100%, 80-100%, 85-100%, 90-100%, and 95-100% sequence identity, respectively). These variants include covalently modified polypeptides, as well as PRO317 fragments and glycosylation variants thereof. PRO317 fragments have a consecutive sequence of at least 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, or 40 amino acid residues, preferably about 10-150 residues, that is identical to the sequence of the PRO317 shown in Figure 42. Other preferred PRO317 fragments include those produced as a result of chemical or enzymatic hydrolysis or digestion of the purified PRO317.

A "chimeric PRO317" is a polypeptide comprising full-length PRO317 or one or more fragments thereof fused or bonded to a second protein or one or more fragments thereof. The chimera will typically share at least one biological property in common with PRO317. The second protein will typically be a cytokine, growth factor, or hormone such as a neurotrophic or angiogenic factor such as GDNF or VEGF, or another member of the TGF-superfamily such as EBAF-1. Another exemplary preferred PRO317 chimera is a "domain chimera" that consists of the N-terminal residues substituted with one or more, but not all, of the residues of the human EBAF-1. In this embodiment, the PRO317 chimera would have individual or blocks of residues from the human EBAF-1 sequence added or substituted into the PRO317 sequence. For example, one or more of those segments of EBAF-1 that are not homologous could be substituted into the corresponding segments of PRO317. It is contemplated that this "PRO317-EBAF-1 domain chimera" will have an agonist biological activity.

"Percent (%) amino acid sequence identity" with respect to the PRO polypeptide sequences identified herein is defined as the percentage of amino acid residues in a candidate sequence that are identical with the amino acid residues in the specific PRO polypeptide sequence, after aligning the sequences and introducing gaps, if necessary, to achieve the maximum percent sequence identity, and not considering any conservative substitutions as part of the sequence identity. Alignment for purposes of determining percent amino acid sequence identity can be achieved in various ways that are within the skill in the art, for instance, using publicly available computer software such as BLAST, ALIGN or Megalign (DNASTAR) software. The preferred software alignment program is BLAST. Those skilled in the art can determine appropriate parameters for measuring alignment, including any algorithms needed to achieve maximal alignment over the full length of the sequences being compared.

"Percent (%) nucleic acid sequence identity" with respect to PRO-encoding nucleic acid sequences identified herein is defined as the percentage of nucleotides in a candidate sequence that are identical with the nucleotides in the PRO nucleic acid sequence of interest, after aligning the sequences and introducing gaps, if necessary, to achieve the maximum percent sequence identity. Alignment for purposes of determining percent nucleic acid sequence identity can be achieved in various ways that are within the skill in the art, for instance, using publicly available computer software such as BLAST, ALIGN or Megalign (DNASTAR) software. Those skilled in the art can determine appropriate parameters for measuring alignment, including any algorithms needed to achieve maximal alignment over the full length of the sequences being compared.

"Isolated," when used to describe the various polypeptides disclosed herein, means polypeptide that has been identified and separated and/or recovered from a component of its natural environment. Contaminant components of its natural environment are materials that would typically interfere with diagnostic or therapeutic uses for the polypeptide, and may include enzymes, hormones, and other proteinaceous or non-proteinaceous solutes. In preferred embodiments, the polypeptide will be purified (1) to a degree sufficient to obtain at least 15 residues of N-terminal

or internal amino acid sequence by use of a spinning cup sequenator, or (2) to homogeneity by SDS-PAGE under non-reducing or reducing conditions using Coomassie blue or, preferably, silver stain. Isolated polypeptide includes polypeptide *in situ* within recombinant cells, since at least one component of the PRO polypeptide natural environment will not be present. Ordinarily, however, isolated polypeptide will be prepared by at least one purification step.

5 An "isolated" PRO polypeptide nucleic acid is a nucleic acid molecule that is identified and separated from at least one contaminant nucleic acid molecule with which it is ordinarily associated in the natural source of the PRO polypeptide nucleic acid. An isolated PRO polypeptide nucleic acid molecule is other than in the form or setting in which it is found in nature. Isolated PRO polypeptide nucleic acid molecules therefore are distinguished from the specific PRO polypeptide nucleic acid molecule as it exists in natural cells. However, an isolated PRO polypeptide nucleic acid molecule includes PRO polypeptide nucleic acid molecules contained in cells that ordinarily express the
10 PRO polypeptide where, for example, the nucleic acid molecule is in a chromosomal location different from that of natural cells.

"Southern analysis" or "Southern blotting" is a method by which the presence of DNA sequences in a restriction endonuclease digest of DNA or a DNA-containing composition is confirmed by hybridization to a known, labeled oligonucleotide or DNA fragment. Southern analysis typically involves electrophoretic separation of DNA
15 digests on agarose gels, denaturation of the DNA after electrophoretic separation, and transfer of the DNA to nitrocellulose, nylon, or another suitable membrane support for analysis with a radiolabeled, biotinylated, or enzyme-labeled probe as described in sections 9.37-9.52 of Sambrook *et al.*, Molecular Cloning: A Laboratory Manual (New York: Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press, 1989).

"Northern analysis" or "Northern blotting" is a method used to identify RNA sequences that hybridize to
20 a known probe such as an oligonucleotide, DNA fragment, cDNA or fragment thereof, or RNA fragment. The probe is labeled with a radioisotope such as ^{32}P , or by biotinylation, or with an enzyme. The RNA to be analyzed is usually electrophoretically separated on an agarose or polyacrylamide gel, transferred to nitrocellulose, nylon, or other suitable membrane, and hybridized with the probe, using standard techniques well known in the art such as those described in sections 7.39-7.52 of Sambrook *et al.*, *supra*.

25 The term "control sequences" refers to DNA sequences necessary for the expression of an operably linked coding sequence in a particular host organism. The control sequences that are suitable for prokaryotes, for example, include a promoter, optionally an operator sequence, and a ribosome binding site. Eukaryotic cells are known to utilize promoters, polyadenylation signals, and enhancers.

Nucleic acid is "operably linked" when it is placed into a functional relationship with another nucleic acid
30 sequence. For example, DNA for a presequence or secretory leader is operably linked to DNA for a polypeptide if it is expressed as a preprotein that participates in the secretion of the polypeptide; a promoter or enhancer is operably linked to a coding sequence if it affects the transcription of the sequence; or a ribosome binding site is operably linked to a coding sequence if it is positioned so as to facilitate translation. Generally, "operably linked" means that the DNA sequences being linked are contiguous, and, in the case of a secretory leader, contiguous and
35 in reading phase. However, enhancers do not have to be contiguous. Linking is accomplished by ligation at convenient restriction sites. If such sites do not exist, the synthetic oligonucleotide adaptors or linkers are used in accordance with conventional practice.

The term "antibody" is used in the broadest sense and specifically covers single anti-PRO polypeptide monoclonal antibodies (including agonist, antagonist, and neutralizing antibodies) and anti-PRO polypeptide antibody compositions with polypeptidic specificity. The term "monoclonal antibody" as used herein refers to an antibody obtained from a population of substantially homogeneous antibodies, i.e., the individual antibodies comprising the population are identical except for possible naturally-occurring mutations that may be present in minor amounts.

5 "Active" or "activity" for the purposes herein refers to form(s) of PRO polypeptide which retain the biologic and/or immunologic activities of the specific native or naturally-occurring PRO polypeptide. The activity of a PRO332 polypeptide preferably involves the regulation of extracellular matrix, cartilage, or bone function.

"PRO317-associated disorder" refers to a pathological condition or disease wherein PRO317 is over- or underexpressed. Such disorders include diseases of the female genital tract or of the endometrium of a mammal, 10 including hyperplasia, endometritis, endometriosis, wherein the patient is at risk for infertility due to endometrial factor, endometrioma, and endometrial cancer, especially those diseases involving abnormal bleeding such as a gynecological disease. They also include diseases involving angiogenesis, wherein the angiogenesis results in a pathological condition, such as cancer involving solid tumors (the therapy for the disorder would result in decreased vascularization and a decline in growth and metastasis of a variety of tumors). Alternatively, the angiogenesis may 15 be beneficial, such as for ischemia, especially coronary ischemia. Hence, these disorders include those found in patients whose hearts are functioning but who have a blocked blood supply due to atherosclerotic coronary artery disease, and those with a functioning but underperfused heart, including patients with coronary arterial disease who are not optimal candidates for angioplasty and coronary artery by-pass surgery. The disorders also include diseases involving the kidney or originating from the kidney tissue, such as polycystic kidney disease and chronic and acute 20 renal failure.

"Treatment" or "treating" refers to both therapeutic treatment and prophylactic or preventative measures. Those in need of treatment include those already with the disorder as well as those prone to have the disorder or those in which the disorder is to be prevented.

"Mammal" for purposes of treatment refers to any animal classified as a mammal, including humans, 25 domestic and farm animals, and zoo, sports, or pet animals, such as sheep, dogs, horses, cats, cows, and the like. Preferably, the mammal herein is a human.

"Carriers" as used herein include pharmaceutically acceptable carriers, excipients, or stabilizers which are nontoxic to the cell or mammal being exposed thereto at the dosages and concentrations employed. Often the physiologically acceptable carrier is an aqueous pH buffered solution. Examples of physiologically acceptable 30 carriers include buffers such as phosphate, citrate, and other organic acids; antioxidants including ascorbic acid; low molecular weight (less than about 10 residues) polypeptide; proteins, such as serum albumin, gelatin, or immunoglobulins; hydrophilic polymers such as polyvinylpyrrolidone; amino acids such as glycine, glutamine, asparagine, arginine or lysine; monosaccharides, disaccharides, and other carbohydrates including glucose, mannose, or dextrans; chelating agents such as EDTA; sugar alcohols such as mannitol or sorbitol; salt-forming counterions 35 such as sodium; and/or nonionic surfactants such as TWEEN™, polyethylene glycol (PEG), and PLURONICS™.

The term "agonist" is used to refer to peptide and non-peptide analogs of the native PRO polypeptides (where native PRO polypeptide refers to pro-PRO polypeptide, pre-PRO polypeptide, prepro-PRO polypeptide, or

mature PRO polypeptide) of the present invention and to antibodies specifically binding such native PRO polypeptides, provided that they retain at least one biological activity of a native PRO polypeptide. Preferably, the agonists of the present invention retain the qualitative binding recognition properties and receptor activation properties of the native PRO polypeptide.

The term "antagonist" is used to refer to a molecule inhibiting a biological activity of a native PRO polypeptide of the present invention wherein native PRO polypeptide refers to pro-PRO polypeptide, pre-PRO polypeptide, prepro-PRO polypeptide, or mature PRO polypeptide. Preferably, the antagonists herein inhibit the binding of a native PRO polypeptide of the present invention. Preferred antagonists essentially completely block the binding of a native PRO317 polypeptide to a PRO317 polypeptide receptor to which it otherwise binds. Such receptors may include the Type I and Type II, and possibly Type III receptors identified for the TGF- superfamily. Kolodziejczyk and Hall, *supra*. A PRO polypeptide "antagonist" is a molecule which prevents, or interferes with, a PRO antagonist effector function (e.g. a molecule which prevents or interferes with binding and/or activation of a PRO polypeptide receptor by PRO polypeptide). Such molecules can be screened for their ability to competitively inhibit PRO polypeptide receptor activation by monitoring binding of native PRO polypeptide in the presence and absence of the test antagonist molecule, for example. Examples of PRO317 polypeptide antagonists include neutralizing antibodies against F-2. An antagonist of the invention also encompasses an antisense polynucleotide against the PRO polypeptide gene, which antisense polynucleotide blocks transcription or translation of the PRO polypeptide gene, thereby inhibiting its expression and biological activity.

"Stringent conditions" means (1) employing low ionic strength and high temperature for washing, for example, 0.015 sodium chloride/0.0015 M sodium citrate/0.1% sodium dodecyl sulfate at 50°C, or (2) employing during hybridization a denaturing agent, such as formamide, for example, 50% (vol/vol) formamide with 0.1% bovine serum albumin/0.1% Ficoll/0.1% polyvinylpyrrolidone/50 mM sodium phosphate buffer at pH 6.5 with 750 mM sodium chloride, 75 mM sodium citrate at 42°C. Another example is use of 50% formamide, 5 x SSC (0.75 M NaCl, 0.075 M sodium citrate), 50 mM sodium phosphate (pH 6/8), 0.1% sodium pyrophosphate, 5 x Denhardt's solution, sonicated salmon sperm DNA (50 µg/ml), 0.1% SDS, and 10% dextran sulfate at 42°C, with washes at 42°C in 0.2 x SSC and 0.1% SDS. Yet another example is hybridization using a buffer of 10% dextran sulfate, 2 x SSC (sodium chloride/sodium citrate) and 50% formamide at 55°C, followed by a high-stringency wash consisting of 0.1 x SSC containing EDTA at 55°C.

"Moderately stringent conditions" are described in Sambrook *et al.*, *supra*, and include the use of a washing solution and hybridization conditions (e.g., temperature, ionic strength, and %SDS) less stringent than described above. An example of moderately stringent conditions is a condition such as overnight incubation at 37°C in a solution comprising: 20% formamide, 5 x SSC (150 mM NaCl, 15 mM trisodium citrate), 50 mM sodium phosphate (pH 7.6), 5 x Denhardt's solution, 10% dextran sulfate, and 20 mg/mL denatured sheared salmon sperm DNA, followed by washing the filters in 1 x SSC at about 37-50°C. The skilled artisan will recognize how to adjust the temperature, ionic strength, etc., as necessary to accommodate factors such as probe length and the like.

II. Compositions and Methods of the Invention1. Full-length PRO211 and PRO217 Polypeptides

The present invention provides newly identified and isolated nucleotide sequences encoding polypeptides referred to in the present application as PRO211 and PRO217. In particular, Applicants have identified and isolated cDNA encoding PRO211 and PRO217 polypeptides, as disclosed in further detail in the Examples below. Using BLAST (FastA format) sequence alignment computer programs, Applicants found that cDNA sequences encoding full-length native sequence PRO211 and PRO217 have homologies to known proteins having EGF-like domains. Specifically, the cDNA sequence DNA32292-1131 (Figure 1, SEQ ID NO:1) has 36% identity and a Blast score of 209 with PAC6_RAT and 31% identity and a Blast score of 206 with Fibulin-1, isoform c precursor. The cDNA sequence DNA33094-1131 (Figure 3, SEQ ID NO:3) has 36% identity and a Blast score of 336 with eastern newt tenascin, and 37% identity and a Blast score of 331 with human tenascin-X precursor. Accordingly, it is presently believed that PRO211 and PRO217 polypeptides disclosed in the present application are newly identified members of the EGF-like family and possesses properties typical of the EGF-like protein family.

2. Full-length PRO230 Polypeptides

The present invention provides newly identified and isolated nucleotide sequences encoding polypeptides referred to in the present application as PRO230. In particular, Applicants have identified and isolated cDNA encoding a PRO230 polypeptide, as disclosed in further detail in the Examples below. Using known programs such as BLAST and FastA sequence alignment computer programs, Applicants found that a cDNA sequence encoding full-length native sequence PRO230 has 48% amino acid identity with the rabbit tubulointerstitial nephritis antigen precursor. Accordingly, it is presently believed that PRO230 polypeptide disclosed in the present application is a newly identified member of the tubulointerstitial nephritis antigen family and possesses the ability to be recognized by human autoantibodies in certain forms of tubulointerstitial nephritis.

3. Full-length PRO232 Polypeptides

The present invention provides newly identified and isolated nucleotide sequences encoding polypeptides referred to in the present application as PRO232. In particular, Applicants have identified and isolated cDNA encoding a PRO232 polypeptide, as disclosed in further detail in the Examples below. Using BLAST and FastA sequence alignment computer programs, Applicants found that a portion of the full-length native sequence PRO232 (shown in Figure 9 and SEQ ID NO:18) has 35% sequence identity with a stem cell surface antigen from Gallus gallus. Accordingly, it is presently believed that the PRO232 polypeptide disclosed in the present application may be a newly identified stem cell antigen.

4. Full-length PRO187 Polypeptides

The present invention provides newly identified and isolated nucleotide sequences encoding polypeptides referred to in the present application as PRO187. In particular, Applicants have identified and isolated cDNA encoding a PRO187 polypeptide, as disclosed in further detail in the Examples below. Using BLAST and FastA sequence alignment computer programs, Applicants found that a full-length native sequence PRO187 (shown in Figure

15) has 74% amino acid sequence identity and BLAST score of 310 with various androgen-induced growth factors and FGF-8. Accordingly, it is presently believed that PRO187 polypeptide disclosed in the present application is a newly identified member of the FGF-8 protein family and may possess identify activity or property typical of the FGF-8-like protein family.

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5. Full-length PRO265 Polypeptides

The present invention provides newly identified and isolated nucleotide sequences encoding polypeptides referred to in the present application as PRO265. In particular, Applicants have identified and isolated cDNA encoding a PRO265 polypeptide, as disclosed in further detail in the Examples below. Using programs such as BLAST and FastA sequence alignment computer programs, Applicants found that various portions of the PRO265 polypeptide have significant homology with the fibromodulin protein and fibromodulin precursor protein. Applicants have also found that the DNA encoding the PRO265 polypeptide has significant homology with platelet glycoprotein V, a member of the leucine rich related protein family involved in skin and wound repair. Accordingly, it is presently believed that PRO265 polypeptide disclosed in the present application is a newly identified member of the leucine rich repeat family and possesses protein protein binding capabilities, as well as be involved in skin and wound repair as typical of this family.

6. Full-length PRO219 Polypeptides

The present invention provides newly identified and isolated nucleotide sequences encoding polypeptides referred to in the present application as PRO219. In particular, Applicants have identified and isolated cDNA encoding a PRO219 polypeptide, as disclosed in further detail in the Examples below. Using BLAST and FastA sequence alignment computer programs, Applicants found that various portions of the PRO219 polypeptide have significant homology with the mouse and human matrilin-2 precursor polypeptides. Accordingly, it is presently believed that PRO219 polypeptide disclosed in the present application is related to the matrilin-2 precursor polypeptide.

7. Full-length PRO246 Polypeptides

The present invention provides newly identified and isolated nucleotide sequences encoding polypeptides referred to in the present application as PRO246. In particular, Applicants have identified and isolated cDNA encoding a PRO246 polypeptide, as disclosed in further detail in the Examples below. Using BLAST and FastA sequence alignment computer programs, Applicants found that a portion of the PRO246 polypeptide has significant homology with the human cell surface protein HCAR. Accordingly, it is presently believed that PRO246 polypeptide disclosed in the present application may be a newly identified membrane-bound virus receptor or tumor cell-specific antigen.

8. Full-length PRO228 Polypeptides

The present invention provides newly identified and isolated nucleotide sequences encoding polypeptides referred to in the present application as PRO228. In particular, Applicants have identified and isolated cDNA

encoding a PRO228 polypeptide, as disclosed in further detail in the Examples below. Using BLAST and FastA sequence alignment computer programs, Applicants found that various portions of the PRO228 polypeptide have significant homology with the EMR1 protein. Applicants have also found that the DNA encoding the PRO228 polypeptide has significant homology with latrophilin, macrophage-restricted cell surface glycoprotein, B0457.1 and leucocyte antigen CD97 precursor. Accordingly, it is presently believed that PRO228 polypeptide disclosed in the present application is a newly identified member of the seven transmembrane superfamily and possesses characteristics and functional properties typical of this family. In particular, it is believed that PRO228 is a new member of the subgroup within this family to which CD97 and EMR1 belong.

9. Full-length PRO533 Polypeptides

The present invention provides newly identified and isolated nucleotide sequences encoding polypeptides referred to in the present application as PRO533. In particular, Applicants have identified and isolated cDNA encoding a PRO533 polypeptide, as disclosed in further detail in the Examples below. Using BLAST-2 and FastA sequence alignment computer programs, Applicants found that a full-length native sequence PRO533 (shown in Figure 22 and SEQ ID NO:59) has a Blast score of 509 and 53% amino acid sequence identity with fibroblast growth factor (FGF). Accordingly, it is presently believed that PRO533 disclosed in the present application is a newly identified member of the fibroblast growth factor family and may possess activity typical of such polypeptides.

10. Full-length PRO245 Polypeptides

The present invention provides newly identified and isolated nucleotide sequences encoding polypeptides referred to in the present application as PRO245. In particular, Applicants have identified and isolated cDNA encoding a PRO245 polypeptide, as disclosed in further detail in the Examples below. Using BLAST and FastA sequence alignment computer programs, Applicants found that a portion of the amino acid sequence of the PRO245 polypeptide has 60% amino acid identity with the human c-myc protein. Accordingly, it is presently believed that the PRO245 polypeptide disclosed in the present application may be a newly identified member of the transmembrane protein tyrosine kinase family.

11. Full-length PRO220, PRO221 and PRO227 Polypeptides

The present invention provides newly identified and isolated nucleotide sequences encoding polypeptides referred to in the present application as PRO220, PRO221 and PRO227. In particular, Applicants have identified and isolated cDNAs encoding a PRO220, PRO221 and PRO227 polypeptide, respectively, as disclosed in further detail in the Examples below. Using BLAST and FastA sequence alignment computer programs, PRO220 has amino acid identity with the amino acid sequence of a leucine rich protein wherein the identity is 87%. PRO220 additionally has amino acid identity with the neuronal leucine rich protein wherein the identity is 55%. The neuronal leucine rich protein is further described in Taguchi, *et al.*, Mol. Brain Res., 35:31-40 (1996).

PRO221 has amino acid identity with the SLIT protein precursor, wherein different portions of these two proteins have the respective percent identities of 39%, 38%, 34%, 31%, and 30%.

PRO227 has amino acid identity with the amino acid sequence of platelet glycoprotein V precursor. The same results were obtained for human glycoprotein V. Different portions of these two proteins show the following percent identities of 30%, 28%, 28%, 31%, 35%, 39% and 27%.

Accordingly, it is presently believed that PRO220, PRO221 and PRO227 polypeptides disclosed in the present application are newly identified members of the leucine rich repeat protein superfamily and that each possesses protein-protein binding capabilities typical of the leucine rich repeat protein superfamily. It is also believed that they have capabilities similar to those of SLIT, the leucine rich repeat protein and human glycoprotein V.

12. Full-length PRO258 Polypeptides

The present invention provides newly identified and isolated nucleotide sequences encoding polypeptides referred to in the present application as PRO258. In particular, Applicants have identified and isolated cDNA encoding a PRO258 polypeptide, as disclosed in further detail in the Examples below. Using BLAST and FastA sequence alignment computer programs, Applicants found that various portions of the PRO258 polypeptide have significant homology with the CRTAM and poliovirus receptors. Accordingly, it is presently believed that PRO258 polypeptide disclosed in the present application is a newly identified member of the Ig superfamily and possesses virus receptor capabilities or regulates immune function as typical of this family.

13. Full-length PRO266 Polypeptides

The present invention provides newly identified and isolated nucleotide sequences encoding polypeptides referred to in the present application as PRO266. In particular, Applicants have identified and isolated cDNA encoding a PRO266 polypeptide, as disclosed in further detail in the Examples below. Using BLAST and FastA sequence alignment computer programs, Applicants found that various portions of the PRO266 polypeptide have significant homology with the SLIT protein from *Drosophila*. Accordingly, it is presently believed that PRO266 polypeptide disclosed in the present application is a newly identified member of the leucine rich repeat family and possesses ligand-ligand binding activity and neuronal development typical of this family. SLIT has been shown to be useful in the study and treatment of Alzheimer's disease, *supra*, and thus, PRO266 may have involvement in the study and cure of this disease.

14. Full-length PRO269 Polypeptides

The present invention provides newly identified and isolated nucleotide sequences encoding polypeptides referred to in the present application as PRO269. In particular, Applicants have identified and isolated cDNA encoding a PRO269 polypeptide, as disclosed in further detail in the Examples below. Using BLAST, FastA and sequence alignment computer programs, Applicants found that the amino acid sequence encoded by nucleotides 314 to 1783 of the full-length native sequence PRO269 (shown in Figure 35 and SEQ ID NO:95) has significant homology to human urinary thrombomodulin and various thrombomodulin analogues respectively, to which it was aligned. Accordingly, it is presently believed that PRO269 polypeptide disclosed in the present application is a newly identified member of the thrombomodulin family.

15. Full-length PRO287 Polypeptides

The present invention provides newly identified and isolated nucleotide sequences encoding polypeptides referred to in the present application as PRO287. In particular, Applicants have identified and isolated cDNA encoding a PRO287 polypeptide, as disclosed in further detail in the Examples below. Using BLAST and FastA sequence alignment computer programs, Applicants found that various portions of the PRO287 polypeptide have significant homology with the type 1 procollagen C-proteinase enhancer protein precursor and type 1 procollagen C-proteinase enhancer protein. Accordingly, it is presently believed that PRO287 polypeptide disclosed in the present application is a newly identified member of the C-proteinase enhancer protein family.

16. Full-length PRO214 Polypeptides

The present invention provides newly identified and isolated nucleotide sequences encoding polypeptides referred to in the present application as PRO214. In particular, Applicants have identified and isolated cDNA encoding a PRO214 polypeptide, as disclosed in further detail in the Examples below. Using BLAST and FastA sequence alignment computer programs, Applicants found that a full-length native sequence PRO214 polypeptide (shown in Figure 40 and SEQ ID NO:109) has 49% amino acid sequence identity with HT protein, a known member of the EGF-family. The comparison resulted in a BLAST score of 920, with 150 matching nucleotides. Accordingly, it is presently believed that the PRO214 polypeptide disclosed in the present application is a newly identified member of the family comprising EGF domains and may possess activities or properties typical of the EGF-domain containing family.

17. Full-length PRO317 Polypeptides

The present invention provides newly identified and isolated nucleotide sequences encoding polypeptides referred to in the present application as PRO317. In particular, cDNA encoding a PRO317 polypeptide has been identified and isolated, as disclosed in further detail in the Examples below. Using BLAST™ and FastA™ sequence alignment computer programs, it was found that a full-length native-sequence PRO317 (shown in Figure 42 and SEQ ID NO:114) has 92% amino acid sequence identity with EBAF-1. Further, it is closely aligned with many other members of the TGF- superfamily.

Accordingly, it is presently believed that PRO317 disclosed in the present application is a newly identified member of the TGF- superfamily and may possess properties that are therapeutically useful in conditions of uterine bleeding, etc. Hence, PRO317 may be useful in diagnosing or treating abnormal bleeding involved in gynecological diseases, for example, to avoid or lessen the need for a hysterectomy. PRO317 may also be useful as an agent that affects angiogenesis in general, so PRO317 may be useful in anti-tumor indications, or conversely, in treating coronary ischemic conditions.

Library sources reveal that ESTs used to obtain the consensus DNA for generating PRO317 primers and probes were found in normal tissues (uterus, prostate, colon, and pancreas), in several tumors (colon, brain (twice), pancreas, and mullerian cell), and in a heart with ischemia. PRO317 has shown up in several tissues as well, but it does look to have a greater concentration in uterus. Hence, PRO317 may have a broader use by the body than EBAF-1. It is contemplated that, at least for some indications, PRO317 may have opposite effects from EBAF-1.

18. Full-length PRO301 Polypeptides

The present invention provides newly identified and isolated nucleotide sequences encoding polypeptides referred to in the present application as PRO301. In particular, Applicants have identified and isolated cDNA encoding a PRO301 polypeptide, as disclosed in further detail in the Examples below. Using BLAST and FastA sequence alignment computer programs, Applicants found that a full-length native sequence PRO301 (shown in Figure 44 and SEQ ID NO:119) has a Blast score of 246 corresponding to 30% amino acid sequence identity with human A33 antigen precursor. Accordingly, it is presently believed that PRO301 disclosed in the present application is a newly identified member of the A33 antigen protein family and may be expressed in human neoplastic diseases such as colorectal cancer.

19. Full-length PRO224 Polypeptides

The present invention provides newly identified and isolated nucleotide sequences encoding polypeptides referred to in the present application as PRO224. In particular, Applicants have identified and isolated cDNA encoding a PRO224 polypeptide, as disclosed in further detail in the Examples below. Using known programs such as BLAST and FastA sequence alignment computer programs, Applicants found that full-length native PRO224 (Figure 46, SEQ ID NO:127) has amino acid identity with apolipoprotein E receptor 2906 from homo sapiens. The alignments of different portions of these two polypeptides show amino acid identities of 37%, 36%, 30%, 44%, 44% and 28% respectively. Full-length native PRO224 (Figure 46, SEQ ID NO:127) also has amino acid identity with very low-density lipoprotein receptor precursor from gall. The alignments of different portions of these two polypeptides show amino acid identities of 38%, 37%, 42%, 33%, and 37% respectively. Additionally, full-length native PRO224 (Figure 46, SEQ ID NO:127) has amino acid identity with the chicken oocyte receptor P95 from Gallus gallus. The alignments of different portions of these two polypeptides show amino acid identities of 38%, 37%, 42%, 33%, and 37% respectively. Moreover, full-length native PRO224 (Figure 46, SEQ ID NO:127) has amino acid identity with very low density lipoprotein receptor short form precursor from humans. The alignments of different portions of these two polypeptides show amino acid identities of 32%, 38%, 34%, 45%, and 31%, respectively. Accordingly, it is presently believed that PRO224 polypeptide disclosed in the present application is a newly identified member of the low density lipoprotein receptor family and possesses the structural characteristics required to have the functional ability to recognize and endocytose low density lipoproteins typical of the low density lipoprotein receptor family. (The alignments described above used the following scoring parameters: T=7, S+65, S2=36, Matrix: BLOSUM62.)

20. Full-length PRO222 Polypeptides

The present invention provides newly identified and isolated nucleotide sequences encoding polypeptides referred to in the present application as PRO222. In particular, Applicants have identified and isolated cDNA encoding a PRO222 polypeptide, as disclosed in further detail in the Examples below. Using BLAST and FastA sequence alignment computer programs, Applicants found that a sequence encoding full-length native sequence PRO222 (shown in Figure 48 and SEQ ID NO:132) has 25-26% amino acid identity with mouse complement factor h precursor, has 27-29% amino acid identity with complement receptor, has 25-47% amino acid identity with mouse

complement C3b receptor type 2 long form precursor, has 40% amino acid identity with human hypothetical protein k1aa0247. Accordingly, it is presently believed that PRO222 polypeptide disclosed in the present application is a newly identified member of the complement receptor family and possesses activity typical of the complement receptor family

5 21. Full-length PRO234 Polypeptides

The present invention provides newly identified and isolated nucleotide sequences encoding polypeptides referred to in the present application as PRO234. In particular, Applicants have identified and isolated cDNA encoding a PRO234 polypeptide, as disclosed in further detail in the Examples below. Using BLAST (FastA-format) sequence alignment computer programs, Applicants found that a cDNA sequence encoding full-length native sequence
10 PRO234 has 31% identity and Blast score of 134 with E-selectin precursor. Accordingly, it is presently believed that the PRO234 polypeptides disclosed in the present application are newly identified members of the lectin/selectin family and possess activity typical of the lectin/selectin family.

15 22. Full-length PRO231 Polypeptides

The present invention provides newly identified and isolated nucleotide sequences encoding polypeptides referred to in the present application as PRO231. In particular, Applicants have identified and isolated cDNA encoding a PRO231 polypeptide, as disclosed in further detail in the Examples below. Using BLAST and FastA sequence alignment computer programs, Applicants found that the full-length native sequence PRO231 polypeptide (shown in Figure 52 and SEQ ID NO:142) has 30 % and 31 % amino acid identity with human and rat prostatic acid
20 phosphatase precursor proteins, respectively. Accordingly, it is presently believed that the PRO231 polypeptide disclosed in the present application may be a newly identified member of the acid phosphatase protein family.

23. Full-length PRO229 Polypeptides

The present invention provides newly identified and isolated nucleotide sequences encoding polypeptides referred to in the present application as PRO229. In particular, Applicants have identified and isolated cDNA encoding a PRO229 polypeptide, as disclosed in further detail in the Examples below. Using BLAST and FastA sequence alignment computer programs, Applicants found that various portions of the PRO229 polypeptide have significant homology with antigen wcl.1, M130 antigen, T cell surface glycoprotein CD6 and CD6. It also is related to Sp-alpha. Accordingly, it is presently believed that PRO229 polypeptide disclosed in the present application is a
30 newly identified member of the family containing scavenger receptor homology, a sequence motif found in a number of proteins involved in immune function and thus possesses immune function and /or segments which resist degradation, typical of this family.

24. Full-length PRO238 Polypeptides

35 The present invention provides newly identified and isolated nucleotide sequences encoding polypeptides referred to in the present application as PRO238. In particular, Applicants have identified and isolated cDNA encoding a PRO238 polypeptide, as disclosed in further detail in the Examples below. Using BLAST and FastA

sequence alignment computer programs. Applicants found that various portions of the PRO238 polypeptide have significant homology with reductases, including oxidoreductase and fatty acyl-CoA reductase. Accordingly, it is presently believed that PRO238 polypeptide disclosed in the present application is a newly identified member of the reductase family and possesses reducing activity typical of the reductase family.

5 25. **Full-length PRO233 Polypeptides**

The present invention provides newly identified and isolated nucleotide sequences encoding polypeptides referred to in the present application as PRO233. In particular, Applicants have identified and isolated cDNA encoding a PRO233 polypeptide, as disclosed in further detail in the Examples below. Using BLAST and FastA sequence alignment computer programs, Applicants found that various portions of the PRO233 polypeptide have
10 significant homology with the reductase protein. Applicants have also found that the DNA encoding the PRO233 polypeptide has significant homology with proteins from *Caenorhabditis elegans*. Accordingly, it is presently believed that PRO233 polypeptide disclosed in the present application is a newly identified member of the reductase family and possesses the ability to effect the redox state of the cell typical of the reductase family.

15 26. **Full-length PRO223 Polypeptides**

The present invention provides newly identified and isolated nucleotide sequences encoding polypeptides referred to in the present application as PRO223. In particular, Applicants have identified and isolated cDNA encoding a PRO223 polypeptide, as disclosed in further detail in the Examples below. Using BLAST and FastA sequence alignment computer programs, Applicants found that the PRO223 polypeptide has significant homology with
20 various serine carboxypeptidase polypeptides. Accordingly, it is presently believed that PRO223 polypeptide disclosed in the present application is a newly identified serine carboxypeptidase.

 27. **Full-length PRO235 Polypeptides**

The present invention provides newly identified and isolated nucleotide sequences encoding polypeptides referred to in the present application as PRO235. In particular, Applicants have identified and isolated cDNA encoding a PRO235 polypeptide, as disclosed in further detail in the Examples below. Using BLAST and FastA sequence alignment computer programs, Applicants found that various portions of the PRO235 polypeptide have
25 significant homology with the various plexin proteins. Accordingly, it is presently believed that PRO235 polypeptide disclosed in the present application is a newly identified member of the plexin family and possesses cell adhesion
30 properties typical of the plexin family.

 28. **Full-length PRO236 and PRO262 Polypeptides**

The present invention provides newly identified and isolated nucleotide sequences encoding polypeptides referred to in the present application as PRO236 and PRO262. In particular, Applicants have identified and isolated
35 cDNA encoding PRO236 and PRO262 polypeptides, as disclosed in further detail in the Examples below. Using BLAST and FastA sequence alignment computer programs, Applicants found that various portions of the PRO236 and PRO262 polypeptides have significant homology with various β -galactosidase and β -galactosidase precursor

polypeptides. Accordingly, it is presently believed that the PRO236 and PRO262 polypeptides disclosed in the present application are newly identified β -galactosidase homologs.

29. **Full-length PRO239 Polypeptides**

The present invention provides newly identified and isolated nucleotide sequences encoding polypeptides referred to in the present application as PRO239. In particular, Applicants have identified and isolated cDNA encoding a PRO239 polypeptide, as disclosed in further detail in the Examples below. Using BLAST and FastA sequence alignment computer programs, Applicants found that various portions of the PRO239 polypeptide have significant homology with densin proteins. Accordingly, it is presently believed that PRO239 polypeptide disclosed in the present application is a newly identified member of the densin family and possesses cell adhesion and the ability to effect synaptic processes as is typical of the densin family.

30. **Full-length PRO257 Polypeptides**

The present invention provides newly identified and isolated nucleotide sequences encoding polypeptides referred to in the present application as PRO257. In particular, Applicants have identified and isolated cDNA encoding a PRO257 polypeptide, as disclosed in further detail in the Examples below. Using BLAST and FastA sequence alignment computer programs, Applicants found that various portions of the PRO257 polypeptide have significant homology with the ebnerin precursor and ebnerin protein. Accordingly, it is presently believed that PRO257 polypeptide disclosed in the present application is a newly identified protein member which is related to the ebnerin protein.

31. **Full-length PRO260 Polypeptides**

The present invention provides newly identified and isolated nucleotide sequences encoding polypeptides referred to in the present application as PRO260. In particular, Applicants have identified and isolated cDNA encoding a PRO260 polypeptide, as disclosed in further detail in the Examples below. Using programs such as BLAST and FastA sequence alignment computer programs, Applicants found that various portions of the PRO260 polypeptide have significant homology with the alpha-l-fucosidase precursor. Accordingly, it is presently believed that PRO260 polypeptide disclosed in the present application is a newly identified member of the fucosidase family and possesses enzymatic activity related to fucose residues typical of the fucosidase family.

32. **Full-length PRO263 Polypeptides**

The present invention provides newly identified and isolated nucleotide sequences encoding polypeptides referred to in the present application as PRO263. In particular, Applicants have identified and isolated cDNA encoding a PRO263 polypeptide, as disclosed in further detail in the Examples below. Using BLAST and FastA sequence alignment computer programs, Applicants found that various portions of the PRO263 polypeptide have significant homology with the CD44 antigen and related proteins. Accordingly, it is presently believed that PRO263 polypeptide disclosed in the present application is a newly identified member of the CD44 antigen family and possesses at least one of the properties associated with these antigens, i.e., cancer and HIV marker, cell-cell or cell-

matrix interactions, regulating cell traffic, lymph node homing, transmission of growth signals, and presentation of chemokines and growth factors to traveling cells.

33. Full-length PRO270 Polypeptides

5 The present invention provides newly identified and isolated nucleotide sequences encoding polypeptides referred to in the present application as PRO270. In particular, Applicants have identified and isolated cDNA encoding a PRO270 polypeptide, as disclosed in further detail in the Examples below. Using BLAST, FastA and sequence alignment computer programs, Applicants found that various portions of the PRO270 polypeptide have significant homology with various thioredoxin proteins. Accordingly, it is presently believed that PRO270 polypeptide disclosed in the present application is a newly identified member of the thioredoxin family and possesses
10 the ability to effect reduction-oxidation (redox) state typical of the thioredoxin family.

34. Full-length PRO271 Polypeptides

15 The present invention provides newly identified and isolated nucleotide sequences encoding polypeptides referred to in the present application as PRO271. In particular, Applicants have identified and isolated cDNA encoding a PRO271 polypeptide, as disclosed in further detail in the Examples below. Using BLAST and FastA sequence alignment computer programs, Applicants found that the PRO271 polypeptide has significant homology with various link proteins and precursors thereof. Accordingly, it is presently believed that PRO271 polypeptide disclosed in the present application is a newly identified link protein homolog.

20 35. Full-length PRO272 Polypeptides

The present invention provides newly identified and isolated nucleotide sequences encoding polypeptides referred to in the present application as PRO272. In particular, Applicants have identified and isolated cDNA encoding a PRO272 polypeptide, as disclosed in further detail in the Examples below. Using BLAST and FastA sequence alignment computer programs, Applicants found that various portions of the PRO272 polypeptide have
25 significant homology with the human reticulocalbin protein and its precursors. Applicants have also found that the DNA encoding the PRO272 polypeptide has significant homology with the mouse reticulocalbin precursor protein. Accordingly, it is presently believed that PRO272 polypeptide disclosed in the present application is a newly identified member of the reticulocalbin family and possesses the ability to bind calcium typical of the reticulocalbin family.

30 36. Full-length PRO294 Polypeptides

The present invention provides newly identified and isolated nucleotide sequences encoding polypeptides referred to in the present application as PRO294. In particular, Applicants have identified and isolated cDNA encoding a PRO294 polypeptide, as disclosed in further detail in the Examples below. Using BLAST and FastA sequence alignment computer programs, Applicants found that various portions of the PRO294 polypeptide have
35 significant homology with the various portions of a number of collagen proteins. Accordingly, it is presently believed that PRO294 polypeptide disclosed in the present application is a newly identified member of the collagen family.

37. Full-length PRO295 Polypeptides

The present invention provides newly identified and isolated nucleotide sequences encoding polypeptides referred to in the present application as PRO295. In particular, Applicants have identified and isolated cDNA encoding a PRO295 polypeptide, as disclosed in further detail in the Examples below. Using BLAST and FastA sequence alignment computer programs, Applicants found that various portions of the PRO295 polypeptide have significant homology with integrin proteins. Accordingly, it is presently believed that PRO295 polypeptide disclosed in the present application is a newly identified member of the integrin family and possesses cell adhesion typical of the integrin family.

38. Full-length PRO293 Polypeptides

The present invention provides newly identified and isolated nucleotide sequences encoding polypeptides referred to in the present application as PRO293. In particular, Applicants have identified and isolated cDNA encoding a PRO293 polypeptide, as disclosed in further detail in the Examples below. Using BLAST and FastA sequence alignment computer programs, Applicants found that portions of the PRO293 polypeptide have significant homology with the neuronal leucine rich repeat proteins 1 and 2, (NLRR-1 and NLRR-2), particularly NLRR-2. Accordingly, it is presently believed that PRO293 polypeptide disclosed in the present application is a newly identified member of the neuronal leucine rich repeat protein family and possesses ligand-ligand binding activity typical of the NRLL protein family.

39. Full-length PRO247 Polypeptides

The present invention provides newly identified and isolated nucleotide sequences encoding polypeptides referred to in the present application as PRO247. In particular, Applicants have identified and isolated cDNA encoding a PRO247 polypeptide, as disclosed in further detail in the Examples below. Using BLAST and FastA sequence alignment computer programs, Applicants found that various portions of the PRO247 polypeptide have significant homology with densin. Applicants have also found that the DNA encoding the PRO247 polypeptide has significant homology with a number of other proteins, including KIAA0231. Accordingly, it is presently believed that PRO247 polypeptide disclosed in the present application is a newly identified member of the leucine rich repeat family and possesses ligand binding abilities typical of this family.

40. Full-length PRO302, PRO303, PRO304, PRO307 and PRO343 Polypeptides

The present invention provides newly identified and isolated nucleotide sequences encoding polypeptides referred to in the present application as PRO302, PRO303, PRO304, PRO307 and PRO343. In particular, Applicants have identified and isolated cDNA encoding PRO302, PRO303, PRO304, PRO307 and PRO343 polypeptides, as disclosed in further detail in the Examples below. Using BLAST and FastA sequence alignment computer programs, Applicants found that various portions of the PRO302, PRO303, PRO304, PRO307 and PRO343 polypeptides have significant homology with various protease proteins. Accordingly, it is presently believed that the PRO302, PRO303, PRO304, PRO307 and PRO343 polypeptides disclosed in the present application are newly identified protease proteins.

41. Full-length PRO328 Polypeptides

The present invention provides newly identified and isolated nucleotide sequences encoding polypeptides referred to in the present application as PRO328. In particular, Applicants have identified and isolated cDNA encoding a PRO328 polypeptide, as disclosed in further detail in the Examples below. Using BLAST and FastA sequence alignment computer programs, Applicants found that various portions of the PRO328 polypeptide have significant homology with the human glioblastoma protein ("GLIP"). Further, Applicants found that various portions of the PRO328 polypeptide have significant homology with the cysteine rich secretory protein ("CRISP") as identified by BLAST homology [ECCRISP3_1, S68683, and CRS3_HUMAN]. Accordingly, it is presently believed that PRO328 polypeptide disclosed in the present application is a newly identified member of the GLIP or CRISP families and possesses transcriptional regulatory activity typical of the GLIP or CRISP families.

42. Full-length PRO335, PRO331 and PRO326 Polypeptides

The present invention provides newly identified and isolated nucleotide sequences encoding polypeptides referred to in the present application as PRO335, PRO331 or PRO326. In particular, Applicants have identified and isolated cDNA encoding a PRO335, PRO331 or PRO326 polypeptide, as disclosed in further detail in the Examples below. Using BLAST and FastA sequence alignment computer programs, Applicants found that various portions of the PRO335, PRO331 or PRO326 polypeptide have significant homology with LIG-1, ALS and in the case of PRO331, additionally, decorin. Accordingly, it is presently believed that the PRO335, PRO331 and PRO326 polypeptides disclosed in the present application are newly identified members of the leucine rich repeat superfamily, and particularly, are related to LIG-1 and possess the biological functions of this family as discussed and referenced herein.

43. Full-length PRO332 Polypeptides

The present invention provides newly identified and isolated nucleotide sequences encoding polypeptides referred to in the present application as PRO332. In particular, Applicants have identified and isolated cDNA encoding PRO332 polypeptides, as disclosed in further detail in the Examples below. Using BLAST and FastA sequence alignment computer programs, Applicants found that a full-length native sequence PRO332 (shown in Figure 108 and SEQ ID NO:310) has about 30-40% amino acid sequence identity with a series of known proteoglycan sequences, including, for example, fibromodulin and fibromodulin precursor sequences of various species (FMOD BOVIN, FMOD_CHICK, FMOD_RAT, FMOD_MOUSE, FMOD_HUMAN, P_R36773), osteomodulin sequences (AB000114.1, AB007848.1), decorin sequences (CFU83141.1, OCU03394.1, P_R42266, P_R42267, P_R42260, P_R89439), keratan sulfate proteoglycans (BTU48360.1, AF022890.1), corneal proteoglycan (AF022256.1), and bone/cartilage proteoglycans and proteoglycans precursors (PGS1_BOVIN, PGS2_MOUSE, PGS2_HUMAN). Accordingly, it is presently believed that PRO332 disclosed in the present application is a new proteoglycan-type molecule, and may play a role in regulating extracellular matrix, cartilage, and/or bone function.

44. Full-length PRO334 Polypeptides

The present invention provides newly identified and isolated nucleotide sequences encoding polypeptides referred to in the present application as PRO334. In particular, Applicants have identified and isolated cDNA encoding a PRO334 polypeptide, as disclosed in further detail in the Examples below. Using BLAST and FastA sequence alignment computer programs, Applicants found that various portions of the PRO334 polypeptide have significant homology with fibulin and fibrillin. Accordingly, it is presently believed that PRO334 polypeptide disclosed in the present application is a newly identified member of the epidermal growth factor family and possesses properties and activities typical of this family.

45. Full-length PRO346 Polypeptides

The present invention provides newly identified and isolated nucleotide sequences encoding polypeptides referred to in the present application as PRO346. In particular, Applicants have identified and isolated cDNA encoding a PRO346 polypeptide, as disclosed in further detail in the Examples below. Using BLAST and FastA sequence alignment computer programs, Applicants found that a full-length native sequence PRO346 (shown in Figure 112 and SEQ ID NO:320) has 28 % amino acid sequence identity with carcinoembryonic antigen. Accordingly, it is presently believed that PRO346 disclosed in the present application is a newly identified member of the carcinoembryonic protein family and may be expressed in association with neoplastic tissue disorders.

46. Full-length PRO268 Polypeptides

The present invention provides newly identified and isolated nucleotide sequences encoding polypeptides referred to in the present application as PRO268. In particular, Applicants have identified and isolated cDNA encoding a PRO268 polypeptide, as disclosed in further detail in the Examples below. Using BLAST and FastA sequence alignment computer programs, Applicants found that portions of the PRO268 polypeptide have significant homology with the various protein disulfide isomerase proteins. Accordingly, it is presently believed that PRO268 polypeptide disclosed in the present application is a homolog of the protein disulfide isomerase p5 protein.

47. Full-length PRO330 Polypeptides

The present invention provides newly identified and isolated nucleotide sequences encoding polypeptides referred to in the present application as PRO330. In particular, Applicants have identified and isolated cDNA encoding a PRO330 polypeptide, as disclosed in further detail in the Examples below. Using BLAST and FastA sequence alignment computer programs, Applicants found that various portions of the PRO330 polypeptide have significant homology with the murine prolyl 4-hydroxylase alpha-II subunit protein. Accordingly, it is presently believed that PRO330 polypeptide disclosed in the present application is a novel prolyl 4-hydroxylase subunit polypeptide.

48. Full-length PRO339 and PRO310 Polypeptides

The present invention provides newly identified and isolated nucleotide sequences encoding polypeptides referred to in the present application as PRO339 and PRO310. In particular, Applicants have identified and isolated

cDNA encoding a PRO339 polypeptide, as disclosed in further detail in the Examples below. Applicants have also identified and isolated cDNA encoding a PRO310 polypeptide, as disclosed in further detail in the Examples below. Using BLAST and FastA sequence alignment computer programs, Applicants found that various portions of the PRO339 and PRO310 polypeptides have significant homology with small secreted proteins from *C. elegans* and are distantly related to fringe. PRO339 also shows homology to collagen-like polymers. Sequences which were used to identify PRO310, designated herein as DNA40533 and DNA42267, also show homology to proteins from *C. elegans*. Accordingly, it is presently believed that the PRO339 and PRO310 polypeptides disclosed in the present application are newly identified member of the family of proteins involved in development, and which may have regulatory abilities similar to the capability of fringe to regulate serrate.

49. Full Length PRO244 Polypeptides

The present invention provides newly identified and isolated nucleotide sequences encoding C-type lectins referred to in the present application as PRO244. In particular, applicants have identified and isolated cDNA encoding PRO244 polypeptides, as disclosed in further detail in the Examples below. Using BLAST and FastA sequence alignment computer programs, Applicants found that a full-length native sequence PRO244 (shown in Figure 122 and SEQ ID NO:377) has 43% amino acid sequence identity with the hepatic lectin gallus gallus (LECH-CHICK), and 42% amino acid sequence identity with an HIV gp120 binding C-type lectin (A46274). Accordingly, it is presently believed that PRO244 disclosed in the present application is a newly identified member of the C-lectin superfamily and may play a role in immune function, apoptosis, or in the pathogenesis of atherosclerosis. In addition, PRO244 may be useful in identifying tumor-associated epitopes.

50. PRO Polypeptide Variants

In addition to the full-length native sequence PRO polypeptides described herein, it is contemplated that PRO polypeptide variants can be prepared. PRO polypeptide variants can be prepared by introducing appropriate nucleotide changes into the PRO polypeptide DNA, or by synthesis of the desired PRO polypeptide. Those skilled in the art will appreciate that amino acid changes may alter post-translational processes of the PRO polypeptides, such as changing the number or position of glycosylation sites or altering the membrane anchoring characteristics.

Variations in the native full-length sequence PRO polypeptides or in various domains of the PRO polypeptides described herein, can be made, for example, using any of the techniques and guidelines for conservative and non-conservative mutations set forth, for instance, in U.S. Patent No. 5,364,934. Variations may be a substitution, deletion or insertion of one or more codons encoding the PRO polypeptide that results in a change in the amino acid sequence of the PRO polypeptide as compared with the native sequence PRO polypeptide. Optionally the variation is by substitution of at least one amino acid with any other amino acid in one or more of the domains of the PRO polypeptide. Guidance in determining which amino acid residue may be inserted, substituted or deleted without adversely affecting the desired activity may be found by comparing the sequence of the PRO polypeptide with that of homologous known protein molecules and minimizing the number of amino acid sequence changes made in regions of high homology. Amino acid substitutions can be the result of replacing one amino acid with another amino acid having similar structural and/or chemical properties, such as the replacement of a leucine with a serine, i.e.,

conservative amino acid replacements. Insertions or deletions may optionally be in the range of 1 to 5 amino acids. The variation allowed may be determined by systematically making insertions, deletions or substitutions of amino acids in the sequence and testing the resulting variants for activity in the *in vitro* assay described in the Examples below.

The variations can be made using methods known in the art such as oligonucleotide-mediated (site-directed) mutagenesis, alanine scanning, and PCR mutagenesis. Site-directed mutagenesis [Carter et al., Nucl. Acids Res., 13:4331 (1986); Zoller et al., Nucl. Acids Res., 10:6487 (1987)], cassette mutagenesis [Wells et al., Gene, 34:315 (1985)], restriction selection mutagenesis [Wells et al., Philos. Trans. R. Soc. London SerA, 317:415 (1986)] or other known techniques can be performed on the cloned DNA to produce the desired PRO polypeptide variant DNA.

Scanning amino acid analysis can also be employed to identify one or more amino acids along a contiguous sequence. Among the preferred scanning amino acids are relatively small, neutral amino acids. Such amino acids include alanine, glycine, serine, and cysteine. Alanine is typically a preferred scanning amino acid among this group because it eliminates the side-chain beyond the beta-carbon and is less likely to alter the main-chain conformation of the variant. Alanine is also typically preferred because it is the most common amino acid. Further, it is frequently found in both buried and exposed positions [Creighton, The Proteins, (W.H. Freeman & Co., N.Y.); Chothia, L. Mol. Biol., 150:1 (1976)]. If alanine substitution does not yield adequate amounts of variant, an isoteric amino acid can be used.

51. Modifications of PRO Polypeptides

Covalent modifications of PRO polypeptides are included within the scope of this invention. One type of covalent modification includes reacting targeted amino acid residues of the PRO polypeptide with an organic derivatizing agent that is capable of reacting with selected side chains or the N- or C-terminal residues of the PRO polypeptide. Derivatization with bifunctional agents is useful, for instance, for crosslinking a PRO polypeptide to a water-insoluble support matrix or surface for use in the method for purifying anti-PRO polypeptide antibodies, and vice-versa. Commonly used crosslinking agents include, *e.g.*, 1,1-bis(diazoacetyl)-2-phenylethane, glutaraldehyde, N-hydroxysuccinimide esters, for example, esters with 4-azidosalicylic acid, homobifunctional imidoesters, including disuccinimidyl esters such as 3,3'-dithiobis(succinimidylpropionate), bifunctional maleimides such as bis-N-maleimido-1,8-octane and agents such as methyl-3-[(p-azidophenyl)dithio]propioimide.

Other modifications include deamidation of glutamyl and asparagyl residues to the corresponding glutamyl and aspartyl residues, respectively, hydroxylation of proline and lysine, phosphorylation of hydroxyl groups of seryl or threonyl residues, methylation of the α -amino groups of lysine, arginine, and histidine side chains [T.E. Creighton, Proteins: Structure and Molecular Properties, W.H. Freeman & Co., San Francisco, pp. 79-86 (1983)], acetylation of the N-terminal amine, and amidation of any C-terminal carboxyl group.

Another type of covalent modification of the PRO polypeptides included within the scope of this invention comprises altering the native glycosylation pattern of the polypeptide. "Altering the native glycosylation pattern" is intended for purposes herein to mean deleting one or more carbohydrate moieties found in a native sequence PRO polypeptide, and/or adding one or more glycosylation sites that are not present in the native sequence PRO polypeptide.

Addition of glycosylation sites to the PRO polypeptide may be accomplished by altering the amino acid sequence. The alteration may be made, for example, by the addition of, or substitution by, one or more serine or threonine residues to the native sequence PRO polypeptide (for O-linked glycosylation sites). The PRO polypeptide amino acid sequence may optionally be altered through changes at the DNA level, particularly by mutating the DNA encoding the PRO polypeptide at preselected bases such that codons are generated that will translate into the desired amino acids.

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6397 (1990)].

52. Modification of PRO317

Amino acid sequence variants of PRO317 are prepared by introducing appropriate nucleotide changes into the PRO317 DNA, or by *in vitro* synthesis of the desired PRO317 polypeptide. Such variants include, for example, deletions from, or insertions or substitutions of, residues within the amino acid sequence shown for human PRO317 in Figure 42. Any combination of deletion, insertion, and substitution is made to arrive at the final construct, provided that the final construct possesses the desired characteristics. The amino acid changes also may alter post-translational processes of the PRO317, such as changing the number or position of glycosylation sites. Moreover, like most mammalian genes, PRO317 is presumably encoded by multi-exon genes. Alternative mRNA constructs which may be attributed to different mRNA splicing events following transcription, and which share large regions of identity with the cDNAs claimed herein, are considered to be within the scope of the present invention.

For the design of amino acid sequence variants of PRO317, the location of the mutation site and the nature of the mutation will depend on the PRO317 characteristic(s) to be modified. For example, candidate PRO317 antagonists or agonists will be initially selected by locating sites that are identical or highly conserved among PRO317, EBAF-1, LEFTY, and other members of the TGF- superfamily. The sites for mutation can be modified individually or in series, *e.g.*, by (1) substituting first with conservative amino acid choices and then with more radical selections depending upon the results achieved, (2) deleting the target residue, or (3) inserting residues of the same or a different class adjacent to the located site, or combinations of options 1-3.

A useful method for identification of certain residues or regions of the PRO317 polypeptide that are preferred locations for mutagenesis is called "alanine scanning mutagenesis," as described by Cunningham and Wells, *Science*, 244: 1081-1085 (1989). Here, a residue or group of target residues are identified (*e.g.*, charged residues such as arg, asp, his, lys, and glu) and replaced by a neutral or negatively charged amino acid (most preferably alanine or polyalanine) to affect the interaction of the amino acids with the surrounding aqueous environment in or outside the cell. Those domains demonstrating functional sensitivity to the substitutions then are refined by introducing further or other variants at or for the sites of substitution. Thus, while the site for introducing an amino acid sequence variation is predetermined, the nature of the mutation *per se* need not be predetermined. For example, to optimize the performance of a mutation at a given site, alanine scanning or random mutagenesis is conducted at the target codon or region and the PRO317 variants produced are screened for the optimal combination of desired activity.

There are two principal variables in the construction of amino acid sequence variants: the location of the mutation site and the nature of the mutation. These are variants from the Figure 42 sequence, and may represent naturally occurring alleles (which will not require manipulation of the PRO317 DNA) or predetermined mutant forms made by mutating the DNA, either to arrive at an allele or a variant not found in nature. In general, the location and nature of the mutation chosen will depend upon the PRO317 characteristic to be modified.

Amino acid sequence deletions generally range from about 1 to 30 residues, more preferably about 1 to 10 residues, and typically are contiguous. Contiguous deletions ordinarily are made in even numbers of residues, but single or odd numbers of deletions are within the scope hereof. Deletions may be introduced into regions of low

homology among PRO317, EBAF-1, and other members of the TGF- superfamily which share the most sequence identity to the human PRO317 amino acid sequence to modify the activity of PRO317. Deletions from PRO317 in areas of substantial homology with one of the receptor binding sites of other members of the TGF- superfamily will be more likely to modify the biological activity of PRO317 more significantly. The number of consecutive deletions will be selected so as to preserve the tertiary structure of PRO317 in the affected domain, *e.g.*, beta-pleated sheet or alpha helix.

Amino acid sequence insertions include amino- and/or carboxyl-terminal fusions ranging in length from one residue to polypeptides containing a hundred or more residues, as well as intrasequence insertions of single or multiple amino acid residues. Intrasequence insertions (*i.e.*, insertions within the mature PRO317 sequence) may range generally from about 1 to 10 residues, more preferably 1 to 5, most preferably 1 to 3. Insertions are preferably made in even numbers of residues, but this is not required. Examples of terminal insertions include mature PRO317 with an N-terminal methionyl residue, an artifact of the direct production of mature PRO317 in recombinant cell culture, and fusion of a heterologous N-terminal signal sequence to the N-terminus of the mature PRO317 molecule to facilitate the secretion of mature PRO317 from recombinant hosts. Such signal sequences may be obtained from, and thus homologous to, the intended host cell species, but also may be from other members of the TGF- superfamily. Suitable sequences include STII or lpp for *E. coli*, alpha factor for yeast, and viral signals such as herpes gD or the native EBAF-1 sequence for mammalian cells.

Other insertional variants of the PRO317 molecule include the fusion to the N- or C-terminus of PRO317 of immunogenic polypeptides, *e.g.*, bacterial polypeptides such as beta-lactamase or an enzyme encoded by the *E. coli trp* locus, or yeast protein, and C-terminal fusions with proteins having a long half-life such as immunoglobulin constant regions (or other immunoglobulin regions), albumin, or ferritin, as described in WO 89/02922 published 6 April 1989.

A third group of variants are amino acid substitution variants. These variants have at least one amino acid residue in the PRO317 molecule removed and a different residue inserted in its place. The sites of greatest interest for substitutional mutagenesis include sites identified as the active site(s) of PRO317 and sites where the amino acids found in the known analogues are substantially different in terms of side-chain bulk, charge, or hydrophobicity, but where there is also a high degree of sequence identity at the selected site within various animal PRO317 species, or where the amino acids found in known members of the TGF- superfamily and novel PRO317 are substantially different in terms of side-chain bulk, charge, or hydrophobicity, but where there also is a high degree of sequence identity at the selected site within various animal analogues of such members (*e.g.*, among all the animal EBAF-1 molecules). This analysis will highlight residues that may be involved in the modulation of endometrial tissue or angiogenesis, and therefore, variations at these sites may affect such activities.

Other sites of interest are those in which particular residues of the PRO317 obtained from various species are identical among all animal species of PRO317 and other members of the TGF- superfamily, this degree of conservation suggesting importance in achieving biological activity common to these cytokines. These sites, especially those falling within a sequence of at least three other identically conserved sites, are substituted in a relatively conservative manner. Such conservative substitutions are shown in Table I under the heading of preferred substitutions. If such substitutions result in a change in biological activity, then more substantial changes,

denominated exemplary substitutions in Table 1, or as further described below in reference to amino acid classes, are introduced and the products screened

Table 1

5	Original Residue	Exemplary Substitutions	Preferred Substitutions
	Ala (A)	val; leu; ile	val
	Arg (R)	lys; gln; asn	lys
10	Asn (N)	gln; his; lys; arg	gln
	Asp (D)	glu	glu
	Cys (C)	ser	ser
	Gln (Q)	asn	asn
	Glu (E)	asp	asp
15	Gly (G)	pro; ala	ala
	His (H)	asn; gln; lys; arg	arg
	Ile (I)	leu; val; met; ala; phe; norleucine	leu
	Leu (L)	norleucine; ile; val; met; ala; phe	ile
20	Lys (K)	arg; gln; asn	arg
	Met (M)	leu; phe; ile	leu
	Phe (F)	leu; val; ile; ala; tyr	leu
	Pro (P)	ala	ala
25	Ser (S)	thr	thr
	Thr (T)	ser	ser
	Trp (W)	tyr; phe	tyr
	Tyr (Y)	trp; phe; thr; ser	phe
30	Val (V)	ile; leu; met; phe; ala; norleucine	leu

Substantial modifications in function or immunological identity of the PRO317 are accomplished by selecting substitutions that differ significantly in their effect on maintaining (a) the structure of the polypeptide backbone in the area of the substitution, for example, as a sheet or helical conformation, (b) the charge or hydrophobicity of the molecule at the target site, or (c) the bulk of the side chain. Naturally occurring residues are divided into groups based on common side-chain properties:

- (1) hydrophobic: norleucine, met, ala, val, leu, ile;
- (2) neutral hydrophilic: cys, ser, thr;
- (3) acidic: asp, glu;
- 40 (4) basic: asn, gln, his, lys, arg;
- (5) residues that influence chain orientation: gly, pro; and
- (6) aromatic: trp, tyr, phe.

Non-conservative substitutions will entail exchanging a member of one of these classes for another class. Such substituted residues also may be introduced into the conservative substitution sites or, more preferably, into the remaining (non-conserved) sites.

In one embodiment of the invention, it is desirable to inactivate one or more protease cleavage sites that are present in the molecule. These sites are identified by inspection of the encoded amino acid sequence, in the case of

trypsin, e.g., for an arginyl or lysinyl residue. When protease cleavage sites are identified, they are rendered inactive to proteolytic cleavage by substituting the targeted residue with another residue, preferably a basic residue such as glutamine or a hydrophilic residue such as serine; by deleting the residue; or by inserting a prolyl residue immediately after the residue.

In another embodiment, any methionyl residues other than the starting methionyl residue of the signal sequence, or any residue located within about three residues N- or C-terminal to each such methionyl residue, is substituted by another residue (preferably in accord with Table 1) or deleted. Alternatively, about 1-3 residues are inserted adjacent to such sites.

Any cysteine residues not involved in maintaining the proper conformation of PRO317 also may be substituted, generally with serine, to improve the oxidative stability of the molecule and prevent aberrant crosslinking.

Nucleic acid molecules encoding amino acid sequence variants of PRO317 are prepared by a variety of methods known in the art. These methods include, but are not limited to, isolation from a natural source (in the case of naturally occurring amino acid sequence variants) or preparation by oligonucleotide-mediated (or site-directed) mutagenesis, PCR mutagenesis, and cassette mutagenesis of an earlier prepared variant or a non-variant version of PRO317.

Oligonucleotide-mediated mutagenesis is a preferred method for preparing substitution, deletion, and insertion variants of PRO317 DNA. This technique is well known in the art as described by Adelman *et al.*, DNA, 2: 183 (1983). Briefly, PRO317 DNA is altered by hybridizing an oligonucleotide encoding the desired mutation to a DNA template, where the template is the single-stranded form of a plasmid or bacteriophage containing the unaltered or native DNA sequence of PRO317. After hybridization, a DNA polymerase is used to synthesize an entire second complementary strand of the template that will thus incorporate the oligonucleotide primer, and will code for the selected alteration in the PRO317 DNA.

Generally, oligonucleotides of at least 25 nucleotides in length are used. An optimal oligonucleotide will have 12 to 15 nucleotides that are completely complementary to the template on either side of the nucleotide(s) coding for the mutation. This ensures that the oligonucleotide will hybridize properly to the single-stranded DNA template molecule. The oligonucleotides are readily synthesized using techniques known in the art such as that described by Crea *et al.*, Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA, 75: 5765 (1978).

The DNA template can be generated by those vectors that are either derived from bacteriophage M13 vectors (the commercially available M13mp18 and M13mp19 vectors are suitable), or those vectors that contain a single-stranded phage origin of replication as described by Viera *et al.*, Meth. Enzymol., 153: 3 (1987). Thus, the DNA that is to be mutated may be inserted into one of these vectors to generate single-stranded template. Production of the single-stranded template is described in Sections 4.21-4.41 of Sambrook *et al.*, *supra*.

Alternatively, single-stranded DNA template may be generated by denaturing double-stranded plasmid (or other) DNA using standard techniques.

For alteration of the native DNA sequence (to generate amino acid sequence variants, for example), the oligonucleotide is hybridized to the single-stranded template under suitable hybridization conditions. A DNA polymerizing enzyme, usually the Klenow fragment of DNA polymerase I, is then added to synthesize the complementary strand of the template using the oligonucleotide as a primer for synthesis. A heteroduplex molecule

is thus formed such that one strand of DNA encodes the mutated form of PRO317, and the other strand (the original template) encodes the native, unaltered sequence of PRO317. This heteroduplex molecule is then transformed into a suitable host cell, usually a prokaryote such as *E. coli* JM101. After the cells are grown, they are plated onto agarose plates and screened using the oligonucleotide primer radiolabeled with ³²P to identify the bacterial colonies that contain the mutated DNA. The mutated region is then removed and placed in an appropriate vector for protein production, generally an expression vector of the type typically employed for transformation of an appropriate host.

The method described immediately above may be modified such that a homoduplex molecule is created wherein both strands of the plasmid contain the mutation(s). The modifications are as follows: The single-stranded oligonucleotide is annealed to the single-stranded template as described above. A mixture of three deoxyribonucleotides, deoxyriboadenosine (dATP), deoxyriboguanosine (dGTP), and deoxyribothymidine (dTTP), is combined with a modified thio-deoxyribocytosine called dCTP-(aS) (which can be obtained from the Amersham Corporation). This mixture is added to the template-oligonucleotide complex. Upon addition of DNA polymerase to this mixture, a strand of DNA identical to the template except for the mutated bases is generated. In addition, this new strand of DNA will contain dCTP-(aS) instead of dCTP, which serves to protect it from restriction endonuclease digestion.

After the template strand of the double-stranded heteroduplex is nicked with an appropriate restriction enzyme, the template strand can be digested with *ExoIII* nuclease or another appropriate nuclease past the region that contains the site(s) to be mutagenized. The reaction is then stopped to leave a molecule that is only partially single-stranded. A complete double-stranded DNA homoduplex is then formed using DNA polymerase in the presence of all four deoxyribonucleotide triphosphates, ATP, and DNA ligase. This homoduplex molecule can then be transformed into a suitable host cell such as *E. coli* JM101, as described above.

DNA encoding PRO317 mutants with more than one amino acid to be substituted may be generated in one of several ways. If the amino acids are located close together in the polypeptide chain, they may be mutated simultaneously using one oligonucleotide that codes for all of the desired amino acid substitutions. If, however, the amino acids are located some distance from each other (separated by more than about ten amino acids), it is more difficult to generate a single oligonucleotide that encodes all of the desired changes. Instead, one of two alternative methods may be employed.

In the first method, a separate oligonucleotide is generated for each amino acid to be substituted. The oligonucleotides are then annealed to the single-stranded template DNA simultaneously, and the second strand of DNA that is synthesized from the template will encode all of the desired amino acid substitutions.

The alternative method involves two or more rounds of mutagenesis to produce the desired mutant. The first round is as described for the single mutants: wild-type DNA is used for the template, an oligonucleotide encoding the first desired amino acid substitution(s) is annealed to this template, and the heteroduplex DNA molecule is then generated. The second round of mutagenesis utilizes the mutated DNA produced in the first round of mutagenesis as the template. Thus, this template already contains one or more mutations. The oligonucleotide encoding the additional desired amino acid substitution(s) is then annealed to this template, and the resulting strand of DNA now encodes mutations from both the first and second rounds of mutagenesis. This resultant DNA can be used as a template in a third round of mutagenesis, and so on.

PCR mutagenesis is also suitable for making amino acid variants of PRO317. While the following discussion refers to DNA, it is understood that the technique also finds application with RNA. The PCR technique generally refers to the following procedure (see Erlich, PCR Technology, (Stockton Press, NY, 1989), the chapter by R. Higuchi, p. 61-70): When small amounts of template DNA are used as starting material in a PCR, primers that differ slightly in sequence from the corresponding region in a template DNA can be used to generate relatively large quantities of a specific DNA fragment that differs from the template sequence only at the positions where the primers differ from the template. For introduction of a mutation into a plasmid DNA, one of the primers is designed to overlap the position of the mutation and to contain the mutation; the sequence of the other primer must be identical to a stretch of sequence of the opposite strand of the plasmid, but this sequence can be located anywhere along the plasmid DNA. It is preferred, however, that the sequence of the second primer is located within 200 nucleotides from that of the first, such that in the end the entire amplified region of DNA bounded by the primers can be easily sequenced. PCR amplification using a primer pair like the one just described results in a population of DNA fragments that differ at the position of the mutation specified by the primer, and possibly at other positions, as template copying is somewhat error-prone.

Another method for preparing variants, cassette mutagenesis, is based on the technique described by Wells *et al.*, Gene, 34: 315 (1985). The starting material is the plasmid (or other vector) comprising the PRO317 DNA to be mutated. The codon(s) in the PRO317 DNA to be mutated are identified. There must be a unique restriction endonuclease site on each side of the identified mutation site(s). If no such restriction sites exist, they may be generated using the above-described oligonucleotide-mediated mutagenesis method to introduce them at appropriate locations in the PRO317 DNA. After the restriction sites have been introduced into the plasmid, the plasmid is cut at these sites to linearize it. A double-stranded oligonucleotide encoding the sequence of the DNA between the restriction sites but containing the desired mutation(s) is synthesized using standard procedures. The two strands are synthesized separately and then hybridized together using standard techniques. This double-stranded oligonucleotide is referred to as the cassette. This cassette is designed to have 3' and 5' ends that are compatible with the ends of the linearized plasmid, such that it can be directly ligated to the plasmid. This plasmid now contains the mutated PRO317 DNA sequence.

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53. Preparation of PRO Polypeptides

The description below relates primarily to production of PRO polypeptides by culturing cells transformed or transfected with a vector containing the desired PRO polypeptide nucleic acid. It is, of course, contemplated that alternative methods, which are well known in the art, may be employed to prepare the PRO polypeptide. For instance, the PRO polypeptide sequence, or portions thereof, may be produced by direct peptide synthesis using solid-phase techniques [see, e.g., Stewart *et al.*, *Solid-Phase Peptide Synthesis*, W.H. Freeman Co., San Francisco, CA (1969); Merrifield, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.*, **85**:2149-2154 (1963)]. *In vitro* protein synthesis may be performed using manual techniques or by automation. Automated synthesis may be accomplished, for instance, using an Applied Biosystems Peptide Synthesizer (Foster City, CA) using manufacturer's instructions. Various portions of the desired PRO polypeptide may be chemically synthesized separately and combined using chemical or enzymatic methods to produce the full-length PRO polypeptide.

A. Isolation of DNA Encoding PRO Polypeptides

DNA encoding PRO polypeptides may be obtained from a cDNA library prepared from tissue believed to possess the desired PRO polypeptide mRNA and to express it at a detectable level. Accordingly, human PRO polypeptide DNA can be conveniently obtained from a cDNA library prepared from human tissue, such as described in the Examples. The PRO polypeptide-encoding gene may also be obtained from a genomic library or by oligonucleotide synthesis.

Libraries can be screened with probes (such as antibodies to the desired PRO polypeptide or oligonucleotides of at least about 20-80 bases) designed to identify the gene of interest or the protein encoded by it. Screening the cDNA or genomic library with the selected probe may be conducted using standard procedures, such as described in Sambrook *et al.*, *Molecular Cloning: A Laboratory Manual* (New York: Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press, 1989). An alternative means to isolate the gene encoding the desired PRO polypeptide is to use PCR methodology [Sambrook *et al.*, *supra*; Dieffenbach *et al.*, *PCR Primer: A Laboratory Manual* (Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press, 1995)].

The Examples below describe techniques for screening a cDNA library. The oligonucleotide sequences selected as probes should be of sufficient length and sufficiently unambiguous that false positives are minimized. The oligonucleotide is preferably labeled such that it can be detected upon hybridization to DNA in the library being screened. Methods of labeling are well known in the art, and include the use of radiolabels like ^{32}P -labeled ATP, biotinylation or enzyme labeling. Hybridization conditions, including moderate stringency and high stringency, are

provided in Sambrook et al., *supra*.

Sequences identified in such library screening methods can be compared and aligned to other known sequences deposited and available in public databases such as GenBank or other private sequence databases. Sequence identity (at either the amino acid or nucleotide level) within defined regions of the molecule or across the full-length sequence can be determined through sequence alignment using computer software programs such as BLAST, ALIGN, DNASTAR, and INHERIT which employ various algorithms to measure homology.

Nucleic acid having protein coding sequence may be obtained by screening selected cDNA or genomic libraries using the deduced amino acid sequence disclosed herein for the first time, and, if necessary, using conventional primer extension procedures as described in Sambrook et al., *supra*, to detect precursors and processing intermediates of mRNA that may not have been reverse-transcribed into cDNA.

B. Selection and Transformation of Host Cells

Host cells are transfected or transformed with expression or cloning vectors described herein for PRO polypeptide production and cultured in conventional nutrient media modified as appropriate for inducing promoters, selecting transformants, or amplifying the genes encoding the desired sequences. The culture conditions, such as media, temperature, pH and the like, can be selected by the skilled artisan without undue experimentation. In general, principles, protocols, and practical techniques for maximizing the productivity of cell cultures can be found in Mammalian Cell Biotechnology: a Practical Approach, M. Butler, ed. (IRL Press, 1991) and Sambrook et al., *supra*.

Methods of transfection are known to the ordinarily skilled artisan, for example, CaPO₄ and electroporation. Depending on the host cell used, transformation is performed using standard techniques appropriate to such cells. The calcium treatment employing calcium chloride, as described in Sambrook et al., *supra*, or electroporation is generally used for prokaryotes or other cells that contain substantial cell-wall barriers. Infection with *Agrobacterium tumefaciens* is used for transformation of certain plant cells, as described by Shaw et al., *Gene*, 23:315 (1983) and WO 89/05859 published 29 June 1989. For mammalian cells without such cell walls, the calcium phosphate precipitation method of Graham and van der Eb, *Virology*, 52:456-457 (1978) can be employed. General aspects of mammalian cell host system transformations have been described in U.S. Patent No. 4,399,216. Transformations into yeast are typically carried out according to the method of Van Solingen et al., *J. Bact.*, 130:946 (1977) and Hsiao et al., *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. (USA)*, 76:3829 (1979). However, other methods for introducing DNA into cells, such as by nuclear microinjection, electroporation, bacterial protoplast fusion with intact cells, or polycations, e.g., polybrene, polyornithine, may also be used. For various techniques for transforming mammalian cells, see Keown et al., *Methods in Enzymology*, 185:527-537 (1990) and Mansour et al., *Nature*, 336:348-352 (1988).

Suitable host cells for cloning or expressing the DNA in the vectors herein include prokaryote, yeast, or higher eukaryote cells. Suitable prokaryotes include but are not limited to eubacteria, such as Gram-negative or Gram-positive organisms, for example, Enterobacteriaceae such as *E. coli*. Various *E. coli* strains are publicly available, such as *E. coli* K12 strain MM294 (ATCC 31,446); *E. coli* X1776 (ATCC 31,537); *E. coli* strain W3110 (ATCC 27,325) and K5 772 (ATCC 53,635). Other suitable prokaryotic host cells include Enterobacteriaceae such as *Escherichia*, e.g., *E. coli*, *Enterobacter*, *Erwinia*, *Klebsiella*, *Proteus*, *Salmonella*, e.g., *Salmonella typhimurium*,

Serratia, e.g., *Serratia marcescens*, and *Shigella*, as well as *Bacilli* such as *B. subtilis* and *B. licheniformis* (e.g., *B. licheniformis* 41P disclosed in DD 266,710 published 12 April 1989), *Pseudomonas* such as *P. aeruginosa*, and *Streptomyces*. Various *E. coli* strains are publicly available, such as *E. coli* K12 strain MM294 (ATCC 31,446); *E. coli* X1776 (ATCC 31,537); *E. coli* strain W3110 (ATCC 27,325); and K5 772 (ATCC 53,635). These examples are illustrative rather than limiting. Strain W3110 is one particularly preferred host or parent host because it is a common host strain for recombinant DNA product fermentations. Preferably, the host cell secretes minimal amounts of proteolytic enzymes. For example, strain W3110 may be modified to effect a genetic mutation in the genes encoding proteins endogenous to the host, with examples of such hosts including *E. coli* W3110 strain 1A2, which has the complete genotype *tonA*; *E. coli* W3110 strain 9E4, which has the complete genotype *tonA ptr3*; *E. coli* W3110 strain 27C7 (ATCC 55,244), which has the complete genotype *tonA ptr3 phoA E15 (argF-lac)169 degP ompT kar1*; *E. coli* W3110 strain 37D6, which has the complete genotype *tonA ptr3 phoA E15 (argF-lac)169 degP ompT rbs7 hivG kar1*; *E. coli* W3110 strain 40B4, which is strain 37D6 with a non-kanamycin resistant *degP* deletion mutation; and an *E. coli* strain having mutant periplasmic protease disclosed in U.S. Patent No. 4,946,783 issued 7 August 1990. Alternatively, *in vitro* methods of cloning, e.g., PCR or other nucleic acid polymerase reactions, are suitable.

In addition to prokaryotes, eukaryotic microbes such as filamentous fungi or yeast are suitable cloning or expression hosts for PRO polypeptide-encoding vectors. *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* is a commonly used lower eukaryotic host microorganism. Others include *Schizosaccharomyces pombe* (Beach and Nurse, Nature, 290: 140 [1981]; EP 139,383 published 2 May 1985); *Kluyveromyces* hosts (U.S. Patent No. 4,943,529; Fleer *et al.*, Bio/Technology, 9: 968-975 (1991)) such as, e.g., *K. lactis* (MW98-8C, CBS683, CBS4574; Louvencourt *et al.*, J. Bacteriol., 173 [1983]), *K. fragilis* (ATCC 12,424), *K. bulgaricus* (ATCC 16,045), *K. wickerhamii* (ATCC 24,178), *K. waltii* (ATCC 56,500), *K. drosophilum* (ATCC 36,906; Van den Berg *et al.*, Bio/Technology, 8: 135 (1990)), *K. thermotolerans*, and *K. marxianus*; *Yarrowia* (EP 402,226); *Pichia pastoris* (EP 183,070; Sreekrishna *et al.*, J. Basic Microbiol., 28: 265-278 [1988]); *Candida*; *Trichoderma reesia* (EP 244,234); *Neurospora crassa* (Case *et al.*, Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA, 76: 5259-5263 [1979]); *Schwanniomyces* such as *Schwanniomyces occidentalis* (EP 394,538 published 31 October 1990); and filamentous fungi such as, e.g., *Neurospora*, *Penicillium*, *Tetrahymena* (WO 91/00357 published 10 January 1991), and *Aspergillus* hosts such as *A. nidulans* (Ballance *et al.*, Biochem. Biophys. Res. Commun., 112: 284-289 [1983]; Tilburn *et al.*, Gene, 26: 205-221 [1983]; Yelton *et al.*, Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA, 81: 1470-1474 [1984]) and *A. niger* (Kelly and Hynes, EMBO J., 4: 475-479 [1985]). Methylophilic yeasts are suitable herein and include, but are not limited to, yeast capable of growth on methanol selected from the genera consisting of *Hansenula*, *Candida*, *Kloeckera*, *Pichia*, *Saccharomyces*, *Torulopsis*, and *Rhodotorula*. A list of specific species that are exemplary of this class of yeasts may be found in C. Anthony, The Biochemistry of Methylophilic Yeasts, 269 (1982).

Suitable host cells for the expression of glycosylated PRO polypeptides are derived from multicellular organisms. Examples of invertebrate cells include insect cells such as *Drosophila* S2 and *Spodoptera Sf9*, as well as plant cells. Examples of useful mammalian host cell lines include Chinese hamster ovary (CHO) and COS cells. More specific examples include monkey kidney CV1 line transformed by SV40 (COS-7, ATCC CRL 1651); human embryonic kidney line (293 or 293 cells subcloned for growth in suspension culture, Graham *et al.*, J. Gen. Virol.,

36:59 (1977)); Chinese hamster ovary cells/-DHFR (CHO, Urlaub and Chasin, Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA, 77:4216 (1980)); mouse sertoli cells (TM4, Mather, Biol. Reprod., 23:243-251 (1980)); human lung cells (W138, ATCC CCL 75); human liver cells (Hep G2, HB 8065); and mouse mammary tumor (MMT 060562, ATCC CCL51). The selection of the appropriate host cell is deemed to be within the skill in the art.

5 C. Selection and Use of a Replicable Vector

The nucleic acid (e.g., cDNA or genomic DNA) encoding a desired PRO polypeptide may be inserted into a replicable vector for cloning (amplification of the DNA) or for expression. Various vectors are publicly available. The vector may, for example, be in the form of a plasmid, cosmid, viral particle, or phage. The appropriate nucleic acid sequence may be inserted into the vector by a variety of procedures. In general, DNA is inserted into an appropriate restriction endonuclease site(s) using techniques known in the art. Vector components generally include, but are not limited to, one or more of a signal sequence, an origin of replication, one or more marker genes, an enhancer element, a promoter, and a transcription termination sequence. Construction of suitable vectors containing one or more of these components employs standard ligation techniques which are known to the skilled artisan.

The PRO polypeptide of interest may be produced recombinantly not only directly, but also as a fusion polypeptide with a heterologous polypeptide, which may be a signal sequence or other polypeptide having a specific cleavage site at the N-terminus of the mature protein or polypeptide. In general, the signal sequence may be a component of the vector, or it may be a part of the PRO polypeptide DNA that is inserted into the vector. The signal sequence may be a prokaryotic signal sequence selected, for example, from the group of the alkaline phosphatase, penicillinase, lpp, or heat-stable enterotoxin II leaders. For yeast secretion the signal sequence may be, e.g., the yeast invertase leader, alpha factor leader (including *Saccharomyces* and *Kluyveromyces* α -factor leaders, the latter described in U.S. Patent No. 5,010,182), or acid phosphatase leader, the *C. albicans* glucoamylase leader (EP 362,179 published 4 April 1990), or the signal described in WO 90/13646 published 15 November 1990. In mammalian cell expression, mammalian signal sequences may be used to direct secretion of the protein, such as signal sequences from secreted polypeptides of the same or related species, as well as viral secretory leaders.

Both expression and cloning vectors contain a nucleic acid sequence that enables the vector to replicate in one or more selected host cells. Such sequences are well known for a variety of bacteria, yeast, and viruses. The origin of replication from the plasmid pBR322 is suitable for most Gram-negative bacteria, the 2μ plasmid origin is suitable for yeast, and various viral origins (SV40, polyoma, adenovirus, VSV or BPV) are useful for cloning vectors in mammalian cells.

Expression and cloning vectors will typically contain a selection gene, also termed a selectable marker. Typical selection genes encode proteins that (a) confer resistance to antibiotics or other toxins, e.g., ampicillin, neomycin, methotrexate, or tetracycline, (b) complement auxotrophic deficiencies, or (c) supply critical nutrients not available from complex media, e.g., the gene encoding D-alanine racemase for *Bacilli*.

An example of suitable selectable markers for mammalian cells are those that enable the identification of cells competent to take up the PRO polypeptide nucleic acid, such as DHFR or thymidine kinase. An appropriate host cell when wild-type DHFR is employed is the CHO cell line deficient in DHFR activity, prepared and propagated as described by Urlaub et al., Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA, 77:4216 (1980). A suitable selection gene

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for use in yeast is the *trp1* gene present in the yeast plasmid YRp7 [Sunchcomb et al., *Nature*, 282:39 (1979), Kingsman et al., *Gene*, 7:141 (1979); Tschemper et al., *Gene*, 10:157 (1980)]. The *trp1* gene provides a selection marker for a mutant strain of yeast lacking the ability to grow in tryptophan, for example, ATCC No. 44076 or PEP4-1 [Jones, *Genetics*, 85:12 (1977)].

Expression and cloning vectors usually contain a promoter operably linked to the PRO polypeptide nucleic acid sequence to direct mRNA synthesis. Promoters recognized by a variety of potential host cells are well known. Promoters suitable for use with prokaryotic hosts include the β -lactamase and lactose promoter systems [Chang et al., *Nature*, 275:615 (1978); Goeddel et al., *Nature*, 281:544 (1979)], alkaline phosphatase, a tryptophan (*trp*) promoter system [Goeddel, *Nucleic Acids Res.*, 8:4057 (1980); EP 36,776], and hybrid promoters such as the *tac* promoter [deBoer et al., *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA*, 80:21-25 (1983)]. Promoters for use in bacterial systems also will contain a Shine-Dalgarno (S.D.) sequence operably linked to the DNA encoding the desired PRO polypeptide.

Examples of suitable promoting sequences for use with yeast hosts include the promoters for 3-phosphoglycerate kinase [Hitzeman et al., *J. Biol. Chem.*, 255:2073 (1980)] or other glycolytic enzymes [Hess et al., *J. Adv. Enzyme Reg.*, 7:149 (1968); Holland, *Biochemistry*, 17:4900 (1978)], such as enolase, glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate dehydrogenase, hexokinase, pyruvate decarboxylase, phosphofructokinase, glucose-6-phosphate isomerase, 3-phosphoglycerate mutase, pyruvate kinase, triosephosphate isomerase, phosphoglucose isomerase, and glucokinase.

Other yeast promoters, which are inducible promoters having the additional advantage of transcription controlled by growth conditions, are the promoter regions for alcohol dehydrogenase 2, isocytichrome C, acid phosphatase, degradative enzymes associated with nitrogen metabolism, metallothionein, glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate dehydrogenase, and enzymes responsible for maltose and galactose utilization. Suitable vectors and promoters for use in yeast expression are further described in EP 73,657.

PRO polypeptide transcription from vectors in mammalian host cells is controlled, for example, by promoters obtained from the genomes of viruses such as polyoma virus, fowlpox virus (UK 2,211,504 published 5 July 1989), adenovirus (such as Adenovirus 2), bovine papilloma virus, avian sarcoma virus, cytomegalovirus, a retrovirus, hepatitis-B virus and Simian Virus 40 (SV40), from heterologous mammalian promoters, e.g., the actin promoter or an immunoglobulin promoter, and from heat-shock promoters, provided such promoters are compatible with the host cell systems.

Transcription of a DNA encoding the desired PRO polypeptide by higher eukaryotes may be increased by inserting an enhancer sequence into the vector. Enhancers are cis-acting elements of DNA, usually about from 10 to 300 bp, that act on a promoter to increase its transcription. Many enhancer sequences are now known from mammalian genes (globin, elastase, albumin, α -fetoprotein, and insulin). Typically, however, one will use an enhancer from a eukaryotic cell virus. Examples include the SV40 enhancer on the late side of the replication origin (bp 100-270), the cytomegalovirus early promoter enhancer, the polyoma enhancer on the late side of the replication origin, and adenovirus enhancers. The enhancer may be spliced into the vector at a position 5' or 3' to the PRO polypeptide coding sequence, but is preferably located at a site 5' from the promoter.

Expression vectors used in eukaryotic host cells (yeast, fungi, insect, plant, animal, human, or nucleated cells from other multicellular organisms) will also contain sequences necessary for the termination of transcription and for stabilizing the mRNA. Such sequences are commonly available from the 5' and, occasionally 3', untranslated

regions of eukaryotic or viral DNAs or cDNAs. These regions contain nucleotide segments transcribed as polyadenylated fragments in the untranslated portion of the mRNA encoding PRO polypeptides.

Still other methods, vectors, and host cells suitable for adaptation to the synthesis of PRO polypeptides in recombinant vertebrate cell culture are described in: Gething et al., Nature, 292:620-625 (1981); Mani et al., Nature, 281:40-46 (1979); EP 117,060; and EP 117,058.

D. Detecting Gene Amplification/Expression

Gene amplification and/or expression may be measured in a sample directly, for example, by conventional Southern blotting, Northern blotting to quantitate the transcription of mRNA [Thomas, Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA, 77:5201-5205 (1980)], dot blotting (DNA analysis), or *in situ* hybridization, using an appropriately labeled probe, based on the sequences provided herein. Alternatively, antibodies may be employed that can recognize specific duplexes, including DNA duplexes, RNA duplexes, and DNA-RNA hybrid duplexes or DNA-protein duplexes. The antibodies in turn may be labeled and the assay may be carried out where the duplex is bound to a surface, so that upon the formation of duplex on the surface, the presence of antibody bound to the duplex can be detected.

Gene expression, alternatively, may be measured by immunological methods, such as immunohistochemical staining of cells or tissue sections and assay of cell culture or body fluids, to quantitate directly the expression of gene product. Antibodies useful for immunohistochemical staining and/or assay of sample fluids may be either monoclonal or polyclonal, and may be prepared in any mammal. Conveniently, the antibodies may be prepared against a native sequence PRO polypeptide or against a synthetic peptide based on the DNA sequences provided herein or against exogenous sequence fused to a PRO polypeptide DNA and encoding a specific antibody epitope.

E. Purification of Polypeptide

Forms of PRO polypeptides may be recovered from culture medium or from host cell lysates. If membrane-bound, it can be released from the membrane using a suitable detergent solution (e.g. Triton-X 100) or by enzymatic cleavage. Cells employed in expression of PRO polypeptides can be disrupted by various physical or chemical means, such as freeze-thaw cycling, sonication, mechanical disruption, or cell lysing agents.

It may be desired to purify PRO polypeptides from recombinant cell proteins or polypeptides. The following procedures are exemplary of suitable purification procedures: by fractionation on an ion-exchange column; ethanol precipitation; reverse phase HPLC; chromatography on silica or on a cation-exchange resin such as DEAE; chromatofocusing; SDS-PAGE; ammonium sulfate precipitation; gel filtration using, for example, Sephadex G-75; protein A Sepharose columns to remove contaminants such as IgG; and metal chelating columns to bind epitope-tagged forms of the PRO polypeptide. Various methods of protein purification may be employed and such methods are known in the art and described for example in Deutscher, Methods in Enzymology, 182 (1990); Scopes, Protein Purification: Principles and Practice, Springer-Verlag, New York (1982). The purification step(s) selected will depend, for example, on the nature of the production process used and the particular PRO polypeptide produced.

54. Uses for PRO Polypeptides

Nucleotide sequences (or their complement) encoding the PRO polypeptides of the present invention have various applications in the art of molecular biology, including uses as hybridization probes, in chromosome and gene mapping and in the generation of anti-sense RNA and DNA. PRO polypeptide-encoding nucleic acid will also be useful for the preparation of PRO polypeptides by the recombinant techniques described herein.

5 The full-length native sequence PRO polypeptide-encoding nucleic acid or portions thereof, may be used as hybridization probes for a cDNA library to isolate the full-length PRO polypeptide gene or to isolate still other genes (for instance, those encoding naturally-occurring variants of the PRO polypeptide or PRO polypeptides from other species) which have a desired sequence identity to the PRO polypeptide nucleic acid sequences. Optionally, the length of the probes will be about 20 to about 50 bases. The hybridization probes may be derived from the
10 nucleotide sequence of any of the DNA molecules disclosed herein or from genomic sequences including promoters, enhancer elements and introns of native sequence PRO polypeptide encoding DNA. By way of example, a screening method will comprise isolating the coding region of the PRO polypeptide gene using the known DNA sequence to synthesize a selected probe of about 40 bases. Hybridization probes may be labeled by a variety of labels, including
15 radionucleotides such as ^{32}P or ^{35}S , or enzymatic labels such as alkaline phosphatase coupled to the probe via avidin/biotin coupling systems. Labeled probes having a sequence complementary to that of the specific PRO polypeptide gene of the present invention can be used to screen libraries of human cDNA, genomic DNA or mRNA to determine which members of such libraries the probe hybridizes to. Hybridization techniques are described in further detail in the Examples below.

20 The ESTs disclosed in the present application may similarly be employed as probes, using the methods disclosed herein.

The probes may also be employed in PCR techniques to generate a pool of sequences for identification of closely related PRO polypeptide sequences.

25 Nucleotide sequences encoding a PRO polypeptide can also be used to construct hybridization probes for mapping the gene which encodes that PRO polypeptide and for the genetic analysis of individuals with genetic disorders. The nucleotide sequences provided herein may be mapped to a chromosome and specific regions of a chromosome using known techniques, such as *in situ* hybridization, linkage analysis against known chromosomal markers, and hybridization screening with libraries.

30 The PRO polypeptide can be used in assays to identify its ligands. Similarly, inhibitors of the receptor/ligand binding interaction can be identified. Proteins involved in such binding interactions can also be used to screen for peptide or small molecule inhibitors or agonists of the binding interaction. Screening assays can be designed to find lead compounds that mimic the biological activity of a native PRO polypeptide or a ligand for the PRO polypeptide. Such screening assays will include assays amenable to high-throughput screening of chemical libraries, making them particularly suitable for identifying small molecule drug candidates. Small molecules contemplated include synthetic organic or inorganic compounds. The assays can be performed in a variety of
35 formats, including protein-protein binding assays, biochemical screening assays, immunoassays and cell based assays, which are well characterized in the art.

Nucleic acids which encode a PRO polypeptide or its modified forms can also be used to generate either transgenic animals or "knock out" animals which, in turn, are useful in the development and screening of therapeutically useful reagents. A transgenic animal (e.g., a mouse or rat) is an animal having cells that contain a transgene, which transgene was introduced into the animal or an ancestor of the animal at a prenatal, e.g., an embryonic stage. A transgene is a DNA which is integrated into the genome of a cell from which a transgenic animal develops. In one embodiment, cDNA encoding a PRO polypeptide of interest can be used to clone genomic DNA encoding the PRO polypeptide in accordance with established techniques and the genomic sequences used to generate transgenic animals that contain cells which express DNA encoding the PRO polypeptide. Methods for generating transgenic animals, particularly animals such as mice or rats, have become conventional in the art and are described, for example, in U.S. Patent Nos. 4,736,866 and 4,870,009. Typically, particular cells would be targeted for PRO polypeptide transgene incorporation with tissue-specific enhancers. Transgenic animals that include a copy of a transgene encoding a PRO polypeptide introduced into the germ line of the animal at an embryonic stage can be used to examine the effect of increased expression of DNA encoding the PRO polypeptide. Such animals can be used as tester animals for reagents thought to confer protection from, for example, pathological conditions associated with its overexpression. In accordance with this facet of the invention, an animal is treated with the reagent and a reduced incidence of the pathological condition, compared to untreated animals bearing the transgene, would indicate a potential therapeutic intervention for the pathological condition.

Alternatively, non-human homologues of PRO polypeptides can be used to construct a PRO polypeptide "knock out" animal which has a defective or altered gene encoding the PRO polypeptide of interest as a result of homologous recombination between the endogenous gene encoding the PRO polypeptide and altered genomic DNA encoding the PRO polypeptide introduced into an embryonic cell of the animal. For example, cDNA encoding a PRO polypeptide can be used to clone genomic DNA encoding the PRO polypeptide in accordance with established techniques. A portion of the genomic DNA encoding a PRO polypeptide can be deleted or replaced with another gene, such as a gene encoding a selectable marker which can be used to monitor integration. Typically, several kilobases of unaltered flanking DNA (both at the 5' and 3' ends) are included in the vector [see e.g., Thomas and Capecchi, *Cell*, 51:503 (1987) for a description of homologous recombination vectors]. The vector is introduced into an embryonic stem cell line (e.g., by electroporation) and cells in which the introduced DNA has homologously recombined with the endogenous DNA are selected [see e.g., Li et al., *Cell*, 69:915 (1992)]. The selected cells are then injected into a blastocyst of an animal (e.g., a mouse or rat) to form aggregation chimeras [see e.g., Bradley, in *Teratocarcinomas and Embryonic Stem Cells: A Practical Approach*, E. J. Robertson, ed. (IRL, Oxford, 1987), pp. 113-152]. A chimeric embryo can then be implanted into a suitable pseudopregnant female foster animal and the embryo brought to term to create a "knock out" animal. Progeny harboring the homologously recombined DNA in their germ cells can be identified by standard techniques and used to breed animals in which all cells of the animal contain the homologously recombined DNA. Knockout animals can be characterized for instance, for their ability to defend against certain pathological conditions and for their development of pathological conditions due to absence of the PRO polypeptide.

With regard to the PRO211 and PRO217 polypeptide, therapeutic indications include disorders associated with the preservation and maintenance of gastrointestinal mucosa and the repair of acute and chronic mucosal lesions

(e.g., enterocolitis, Zollinger-Ellison syndrome, gastrointestinal ulceration and congenital microvillus atrophy), skin diseases associated with abnormal keratinocyte differentiation (e.g., psoriasis, epithelial cancers such as lung squamous cell carcinoma, epidermoid carcinoma of the vulva and gliomas).

Since the PRO232 polypeptide and nucleic acid encoding it possess sequence homology to a cell surface stem cell antigen and its encoding nucleic acid, probes based upon the PRO232 nucleotide sequence may be employed to identify other novel stem cell surface antigen proteins. Soluble forms of the PRO232 polypeptide may be employed as antagonists of membrane bound PRO232 activity both *in vitro* and *in vivo*. PRO232 polypeptides may be employed in screening assays designed to identify agonists or antagonists of the native PRO232 polypeptide, wherein such assays may take the form of any conventional cell-type or biochemical binding assay. Moreover, the PRO232 polypeptide may serve as a molecular marker for the tissues in which the polypeptide is specifically expressed.

With regard to the PRO187 polypeptides disclosed herein, FGF-8 has been implicated in cellular differentiation and embryogenesis, including the patterning which appears during limb formation. FGF-8 and the PRO187 molecules of the invention therefore are likely to have potent effects on cell growth and development. Diseases which relate to cellular growth and differentiation are therefore suitable targets for therapeutics based on functionality similar to FGF-8. For example, diseases related to growth or survival of nerve cells including Parkinson's disease, Alzheimer's disease, ALS, neuropathies. Additionally, disease related to uncontrolled cell growth, e.g., cancer, would also be expected therapeutic targets.

With regard to the PRO265 polypeptides disclosed herein, other methods for use with PRO265 are described in U.S. Patent 5,654,270 to Ruoslahti et al. In particular, PRO265 can be used in comparison with the fibromodulin disclosed therein to compare its effects on reducing dermal scarring and other properties of the fibromodulin described therein including where it is located and with what it binds and does not.

The PRO219 polypeptides of the present invention which play a regulatory role in the blood coagulation cascade may be employed *in vivo* for therapeutic purposes as well as for *in vitro* purposes. Those of ordinary skill in the art will well know how to employ PRO219 polypeptides for such uses.

The PRO246 polypeptides of the present invention which serve as cell surface receptors for one or more viruses will find other uses. For example, extracellular domains derived from these PRO246 polypeptides may be employed therapeutically *in vivo* for lessening the effects of viral infection. Those PRO246 polypeptides which serves as tumor specific antigens may be exploited as therapeutic targets for anti-tumor drugs, and the like. Those of ordinary skill in the art will well know how to employ PRO246 polypeptides for such uses.

Assays in which connective growth factor and other growth factors are usually used should be performed with PRO261. An assay to determine whether TGF beta induces PRO261, indicating a role in cancer is performed as known in the art. Wound repair and tissue growth assays are also performed with PRO261. The results are applied accordingly.

PRO228 polypeptides should be used in assays in which EMR1, CD97 and latrophilin would be used in to determine their relative activities. The results can be applied accordingly. For example, a competitive binding assay with PRO228 and CD97 can be performed with the ligand for CD97, CD55.

Native PRO533 is a 216 amino acid polypeptide of which residues 1-22 are the signal sequence. Residues 3 to 216 have a Blast score of 509, corresponding to 53 % homology to fibroblast growth factor. At the nucleotide

level, DNA47412, the EST from which PCR oligos were generated to isolate the full length DNA49435-1219, has been observed to map to 11p15. Sequence homology to the 11p15 locus would indicate that PRO533 may have utility in the treatment of Usher Syndrome or Atrophia areata.

As mentioned previously, fibroblast growth factors can act upon cells in both a mitogenic and non-mitogenic manner. These factors are mitogenic for a wide variety of normal diploid mesoderm-derived and neural crest-derived cells, inducing granulosa cells, adrenal cortical cells, chondrocytes, myoblasts, corneal and vascular endothelial cells (bovine or human), vascular smooth muscle cells, lens, retina and prostatic epithelial cells, oligodendrocytes, astrocytes, chondrocytes, myoblasts and osteoblasts.

Non-mitogenic actions of fibroblast growth factors include promotion of cell migration into a wound area (chemotaxis), initiation of new blood vessel formation (angiogenesis), modulation of nerve regeneration and survival (neurotrophism), modulation of endocrine functions, and stimulation or suppression of specific cellular protein expression, extracellular matrix production and cell survival. Baird, A. & Bohlen, P., *Handbook of Exp. Pharmacol.* 95(1): 369-418 (1990). These properties provide a basis for using fibroblast growth factors in therapeutic approaches to accelerate wound healing, nerve repair, collateral blood vessel formation, and the like. For example, fibroblast growth factors, have been suggested to minimize myocardium damage in heart disease and surgery (U.S.P. 4,378,437).

Since the PRO245 polypeptide and nucleic acid encoding it possess sequence homology to a transmembrane protein tyrosine kinase protein and its encoding nucleic acid, probes based upon the PRO245 nucleotide sequence may be employed to identify other novel transmembrane tyrosine kinase proteins. Soluble forms of the PRO245 polypeptide may be employed as antagonists of membrane bound PRO245 activity both *in vitro* and *in vivo*. PRO245 polypeptides may be employed in screening assays designed to identify agonists or antagonists of the native PRO245 polypeptide, wherein such assays may take the form of any conventional cell-type or biochemical binding assay. Moreover, the PRO245 polypeptide may serve as a molecular marker for the tissues in which the polypeptide is specifically expressed.

PRO220, PRO221 and PRO227 all have leucine rich repeats. Additionally, PRO220 and PRO221 have homology to SLIT and leucine rich repeat protein. Therefore, these proteins are useful in assays described in the literature, *supra*, wherein the SLIT and leucine rich repeat protein are used. Regarding the SLIT protein, PRO227 can be used in an assay to determine the affect of PRO227 on neurodegenerative disease. Additionally, PRO227 has homology to human glycoprotein V. In the case of PRO227, this polypeptide is used in an assay to determine its affect on bleeding, clotting, tissue repair and scarring.

The PRO266 polypeptide can be used in assays to determine if it has a role in neurodegenerative diseases or their reversal.

PRO269 polypeptides and portions thereof which effect the activity of thrombin may also be useful for *in vivo* therapeutic purposes, as well as for various *in vitro* applications. In addition, PRO269 polypeptides and portions thereof may have therapeutic use as an antithrombotic agent with reduced risk for hemorrhage as compared with heparin. Peptides having homology to thrombomodulin are particularly desirable.

PRO287 polypeptides and portions thereof which effect the activity of bone morphogenic protein "BMP1"/procollagen C-proteinase (PCP) may also be useful for *in vivo* therapeutic purposes, as well as for various

in vitro applications. In addition, PRO287 polypeptides and portions thereof may have therapeutic applications in wound healing and tissue repair. Peptides having homology to procollagen C-proteinase enhancer protein and its precursor may also be used to induce bone and/or cartilage formation and are therefore of particular interest to the scientific and medical communities.

5 Therapeutic indications for PRO214 polypeptides include disorders associated with the preservation and maintenance of gastrointestinal mucosa and the repair of acute and chronic mucosal lesions (e.g., enterocolitis, Zollinger-Ellison syndrome, gastrointestinal ulceration and congenital microvillus atrophy), skin diseases associated with abnormal keratinocyte differentiation (e.g., psoriasis, epithelial cancers such as lung squamous cell carcinoma, epidermoid carcinoma of the vulva and gliomas).

10 Studies on the generation and analysis of mice deficient in members of the TGF- β superfamily are reported in Matzuk, Trends in Endocrinol. and Metabol., 6: 120-127 (1995).

The PRO317 polypeptide, as well as PRO317-specific antibodies, inhibitors, agonists, receptors, or their analogs, herein are useful in treating PRO317-associated disorders. Hence, for example, they may be employed in modulating endometrial bleeding angiogenesis, and may also have an effect on kidney tissue. Endometrial bleeding can occur in gynecological diseases such as endometrial cancer as abnormal bleeding. Thus, the compositions herein may find use in diagnosing and treating abnormal bleeding conditions in the endometrium, as by reducing or eliminating the need for a hysterectomy. The molecules herein may also find use in angiogenesis applications such as anti-tumor indications for which the antibody against vascular endothelial growth factor is used, or, conversely, ischemic indications for which vascular endothelial growth factor is employed.

20 Bioactive compositions comprising PRO317 or agonists or antagonists thereof may be administered in a suitable therapeutic dose determined by any of several methodologies including clinical studies on mammalian species to determine maximal tolerable dose and on normal human subjects to determine safe dose. Additionally, the bioactive agent may be complexed with a variety of well established compounds or compositions which enhance stability or pharmacological properties such as half-life. It is contemplated that the therapeutic, bioactive composition may be delivered by intravenous infusion into the bloodstream or any other effective means which could be used for treating problems of the kidney, uterus, endometrium, blood vessels, or related tissue, e.g., in the heart or genital tract.

25 Dosages and administration of PRO317, PRO317 agonist, or PRO317 antagonist in a pharmaceutical composition may be determined by one of ordinary skill in the art of clinical pharmacology or pharmacokinetics. See, for example, Mordenti and Rescigno, Pharmaceutical Research, 2:17-25 (1992); Moretti *et al.*, Pharmaceutical Research, 8:1351-1359 (1991); and Mordenti and Chappell, "The use of interspecies scaling in toxicokinetics" in Toxicokinetics and New Drug Development, Yacobi *et al.* (eds) (Pergamon Press: NY, 1989), pp. 42-96. An effective amount of PRO317, PRO317 agonist, or PRO317 antagonist to be employed therapeutically will depend, for example, upon the therapeutic objectives, the route of administration, and the condition of the mammal. Accordingly, it will be necessary for the therapist to titer the dosage and modify the route of administration as required to obtain the optimal therapeutic effect. A typical daily dosage might range from about 10 ng/kg to up to 100 mg/kg of the mammal's body weight or more per day, preferably about 1 μ g/kg/day to 10 mg/kg/day. Typically, the clinician will administer PRO317, PRO317 agonist, or PRO317 antagonist, until a dosage is reached that achieves

the desired effect for treatment of the above mentioned disorders.

PRO317 or an PRO317 agonist or PRO317 antagonist may be administered alone or in combination with another to achieve the desired pharmacological effect. PRO317 itself, or agonists or antagonists of PRO317 can provide different effects when administered therapeutically. Such compounds for treatment will be formulated in a nontoxic, inert, pharmaceutically acceptable aqueous carrier medium preferably at a pH of about 5 to 8, more preferably 6 to 8, although the pH may vary according to the characteristics of the PRO317, agonist, or antagonist being formulated and the condition to be treated. Characteristics of the treatment compounds include solubility of the molecule, half-life, and antigenicity/immunogenicity; these and other characteristics may aid in defining an effective carrier.

PRO317 or PRO317 agonists or PRO317 antagonists may be delivered by known routes of administration including but not limited to topical creams and gels; transmucosal spray and aerosol, transdermal patch and bandage; injectable, intravenous, and lavage formulations; and orally administered liquids and pills, particularly formulated to resist stomach acid and enzymes. The particular formulation, exact dosage, and route of administration will be determined by the attending physician and will vary according to each specific situation.

Such determinations of administration are made by considering multiple variables such as the condition to be treated, the type of mammal to be treated, the compound to be administered, and the pharmacokinetic profile of the particular treatment compound. Additional factors which may be taken into account include disease state (e.g. severity) of the patient, age, weight, gender, diet, time of administration, drug combination, reaction sensitivities, and tolerance/response to therapy. Long-acting treatment compound formulations (such as liposomally encapsulated PRO317 or PEGylated PRO317 or PRO317 polymeric microspheres, such as polylactic acid-based microspheres) might be administered every 3 to 4 days, every week, or once every two weeks depending on half-life and clearance rate of the particular treatment compound.

Normal dosage amounts may vary from about 10 ng/kg to up to 100 mg/kg of mammal body weight or more per day, preferably about 1 µg/kg/day to 10 mg/kg/day, depending upon the route of administration. Guidance as to particular dosages and methods of delivery is provided in the literature; see, for example, U.S. Pat. Nos. 4,657,760, 5,206,344; or 5,225,212. It is anticipated that different formulations will be effective for different treatment compounds and different disorders, that administration targeting the uterus, for example, may necessitate delivery in a manner different from that to another organ or tissue, such as cardiac tissue.

Where sustained-release administration of PRO317 is desired in a formulation with release characteristics suitable for the treatment of any disease or disorder requiring administration of PRO317, microencapsulation of PRO317 is contemplated. Microencapsulation of recombinant proteins for sustained release has been successfully performed with human growth hormone (rhGH), interferon- (rhIFN-), interleukin-2, and MN rgp120. Johnson *et al.*, *Nat. Med.*, 2: 795-799 (1996); Yasuda, *Biomed. Ther.*, 27: 1221-1223 (1993); Hora *et al.*, *Bio/Technology*, 8: 755-758 (1990); Cleland, "Design and Production of Single Immunization Vaccines Using Polylactide Polyglycolide Microsphere Systems," in *Vaccine Design: The Subunit and Adjuvant Approach*, Powell and Newman, eds, (Plenum Press: New York, 1995), pp. 439-462; WO 97/03692, WO 96/40072, WO 96/07399; and U.S. Pat. No. 5,654,010.

The sustained-release formulations of these proteins were developed using poly-lactic-coglycolic acid (PLGA) polymer due to its biocompatibility and wide range of biodegradable properties. The degradation products

of PLGA, lactic and glycolic acids, can be cleared quickly within the human body. Moreover, the degradability of this polymer can be adjusted from months to years depending on its molecular weight and composition. Lewis, "Controlled release of bioactive agents from lactide/glycolide polymer," in: M. Chasin and R. Langer (Eds.), Biodegradable Polymers as Drug Delivery Systems (Marcel Dekker: New York, 1990), pp. 1-41.

For example, for a formulation that can provide a dosing of approximately 80 g/kg/day in mammals with a maximum body weight of 85 kg, the largest dosing would be approximately 6.8 mg PRO317 per day. In order to achieve this dosing level, a sustained-release formulation which contains a maximum possible protein loading (15-20% w/w PRO317) with the lowest possible initial burst (<20%) is necessary. A continuous (zero-order) release of PRO317 from microparticles for 1-2 weeks is also desirable. In addition, the encapsulated protein to be released should maintain its integrity and stability over the desired release period.

It is contemplated that conditions or diseases of the uterus, endometrial tissue, or other genital tissues or cardiac tissues may precipitate damage that is treatable with PRO317 or PRO317 agonist where PRO317 expression is reduced in the diseased state; or with antibodies to PRO317 or other PRO317 antagonists where the expression of PRO317 is increased in the diseased state. These conditions or diseases may be specifically diagnosed by the probing tests discussed above for physiologic and pathologic problems which affect the function of the organ.

The PRO317, PRO317 agonist, or PRO317 antagonist may be administered to a mammal with another biologically active agent, either separately or in the same formulation to treat a common indication for which they are appropriate. For example, it is contemplated that PRO317 can be administered together with EBAF-1 for those indications on which they demonstrate the same qualitative biological effects. Alternatively, where they have opposite effects, EBAF-1 may be administered together with an antagonist to PRO317, such as an anti-PRO317 antibody. Further, PRO317 may be administered together with VEGF for coronary ischemia where such indication is warranted, or with an anti-VEGF for cancer as warranted, or, conversely, an antagonist to PRO317 may be administered with VEGF for coronary ischemia or with anti-VEGF to treat cancer as warranted. These administrations would be in effective amounts for treating such disorders.

Native PRO301 (SEQ ID NO:119) has a Blast score of 246 and 30% homology at residues 24 to 282 of Figure 44 with A33_HUMAN, an A33 antigen precursor. A33 antigen precursor, as explained in the Background is a tumor-specific antigen, and as such, is a recognized marker and therapeutic target for the diagnosis and treatment of colon cancer. The expression of tumor-specific antigens is often associated with the progression of neoplastic tissue disorders. Native PRO301 (SEQ ID NO:119) and A33_HUMAN also show a Blast score of 245 and 30% homology at residues 21 to 282 of Fig. 44 with A33_HUMAN, the variation dependent upon how spaces are inserted into the compared sequences. Native PRO301 (SEQ ID NO:119) also has a Blast score of 165 and 29% homology at residues 60 to 255 of Fig. 44 with HS46KDA_1, a human coxsackie and adenovirus receptor protein, also known as cell surface protein HCAR. This region of PRO301 also shows a similar Blast score and homology with HSU90716_1. Expression of such proteins is usually associated with viral infection and therapeutics for the prevention of such infection may be accordingly conceived. As mentioned in the Background, the expression of viral receptors is often associated with neoplastic tumors.

Therapeutic uses for the PRO234 polypeptides of the invention includes treatments associated with leukocyte homing or the interaction between leukocytes and the endothelium during an inflammatory response. Examples

include asthma, rheumatoid arthritis, psoriasis and multiple sclerosis.

Since the PRO231 polypeptide and nucleic acid encoding it possess sequence homology to a putative acid phosphatase and its encoding nucleic acid, probes based upon the PRO231 nucleotide sequence may be employed to identify other novel phosphatase proteins. Soluble forms of the PRO231 polypeptide may be employed as antagonists of membrane bound PRO231 activity both *in vitro* and *in vivo*. PRO231 polypeptides may be employed in screening assays designed to identify agonists or antagonists of the native PRO231 polypeptide, wherein such assays may take the form of any conventional cell-type or biochemical binding assay. Moreover, the PRO231 polypeptide may serve as a molecular marker for the tissues in which the polypeptide is specifically expressed.

PRO229 polypeptides can be fused with peptides of interest to determine whether the fusion peptide has an increased half-life over the peptide of interest. The PRO229 polypeptides can be used accordingly to increase the half-life of polypeptides of interest. Portions of PRO229 which cause the increase in half-life are an embodiment of the invention herein.

PRO238 can be used in assays which measure its ability to reduce substrates, including oxygen and Acetyl-Co A, and particularly, measure PRO238's ability to produce oxygen free radicals. This is done by using assays which have been previously described. PRO238 can further be used to assay for candidates which block, reduce or reverse its reducing abilities. This is done by performing side by side assays where candidates are added in one assay having PRO238 and a substrate to reduce, and not added in another assay, being the same but for the lack of the presence of the candidate.

PRO233 polypeptides and portions thereof which have homology to reductase may also be useful for *in vivo* therapeutic purposes, as well as for various other applications. The identification of novel reductase proteins and related molecules may be relevant to a number of human disorders such as inflammatory disease, organ failure, atherosclerosis, cardiac injury, infertility, birth defects, premature aging, AIDS, cancer, diabetic complications and mutations in general. Given that oxygen free radicals and antioxidants appear to play important roles in a number of disease processes, the identification of new reductase proteins and reductase-like molecules is of special importance in that such proteins may serve as potential therapeutics for a variety of different human disorders. Such polypeptides may also play important roles in biotechnological and medical research, as well as various industrial applications. As a result, there is particular scientific and medical interest in new molecules, such as PRO233.

The PRO223 polypeptides of the present invention which exhibit serine carboxypeptidase activity may be employed *in vivo* for therapeutic purposes as well as for *in vitro* purposes. Those of ordinary skill in the art will well know how to employ PRO223 polypeptides for such uses.

PRO235 polypeptides and portions thereof which may be involved in cell adhesion are also useful for *in vivo* therapeutic purposes, as well as for various *in vitro* applications. In addition, PRO235 polypeptides and portions thereof may have therapeutic applications in disease states which involve cell adhesion. Given the physiological importance of cell adhesion mechanisms *in vivo*, efforts are currently being under taken to identify new, native proteins which are involved in cell adhesion. Therefore, peptides having homology to plexin are of particular interest to the scientific and medical communities.

Because the PRO236 and PRO262 polypeptides disclosed herein are homologous to various known β -galactosidase proteins, the PRO236 and PRO262 polypeptides disclosed herein will find use in conjugates of

monoclonal antibodies and the polypeptide for specific killing of tumor cells by generation of active drug from a galactosylated prodrug (e.g., the generation of 5-fluorouridine from the prodrug β -D-galactosyl-5-fluorouridine). The PRO236 and PRO262 polypeptides disclosed herein may also find various uses both *in vivo* and *in vitro*, wherein those uses will be similar or identical to uses for which β -galactosidase proteins are now employed. Those of ordinary skill in the art will well know how to employ PRO236 and PRO262 polypeptides for such uses.

5 PRO239 polypeptides and portions thereof which have homology to densin may also be useful for *in vivo* therapeutic purposes, as well as for various *in vitro* applications. In addition, PRO239 polypeptides and portions thereof may have therapeutic applications in disease states which involve synaptic mechanisms, regeneration or cell adhesion. Given the physiological importance of synaptic processes, regeneration and cell adhesion mechanisms *in vivo*, efforts are currently being under taken to identify new, native proteins which are involved in synaptic machinery and cell
10 adhesion. Therefore, peptides having homology to densin are of particular interest to the scientific and medical communities.

The PRO260 polypeptides described herein can be used in assays to determine their relation to fucosidase. In particular, the PRO260 polypeptides can be used in assays in determining their ability to remove fucose or other sugar residues from proteoglycans. The PRO260 polypeptides can be assayed to determine if they have any
15 functional or locational similarities as fucosidase. The PRO260 polypeptides can then be used to regulate the systems in which they are integral.

PRO263 can be used in assays wherein CD44 antigen is generally used to determine PRO263 activity relative to that of CD44. The results can be used accordingly.

PRO270 polypeptides and portions thereof which effect reduction-oxidation (redox) state may also be useful
20 for *in vivo* therapeutic purposes, as well as for various *in vitro* applications. More specifically, PRO270 polypeptides may affect the expression of a large variety of genes thought to be involved in the pathogenesis of AIDS, cancer, atherosclerosis, diabetic complications and in pathological conditions involving oxidative stress such as stroke and inflammation. In addition, PRO270 polypeptides and portions thereof may affect the expression of a genes which have a role in apoptosis. Therefore, peptides having homology to thioredoxin are particularly desirable to the scientific and
25 medical communities.

PRO272 polypeptides and portions thereof which possess the ability to bind calcium may also have numerous *in vivo* therapeutic uses, as well as various *in vitro* applications. Therefore, peptides having homology to reticulocalbin are particularly desirable. Those with ordinary skill in the art will know how to employ PRO272 polypeptides and portions thereof for such purposes.

30 PRO294 polypeptides and portions thereof which have homology to collagen may also be useful for *in vivo* therapeutic purposes, as well as for various other applications. The identification of novel collagens and collage-like molecules may have relevance to a number of human disorders. Thus, the identification of new collagens and collage-like molecules is of special importance in that such proteins may serve as potential therapeutics for a variety of different human disorders. Such polypeptides may also play important roles in biotechnological and medical
35 research as well as various industrial applications. Given the large number of uses for collagen, there is substantial interest in polypeptides with homology to the collagen molecule.

PRO295 polypeptides and portions thereof which have homology to integrin may also be useful for *in vivo* therapeutic purposes, as well as for various other applications. The identification of novel integrins and integrin-like molecules may have relevance to a number of human disorders such as modulating the binding or activity of cells of the immune system. Thus, the identification of new integrins and integrin-like molecules is of special importance in that such proteins may serve as potential therapeutics for a variety of different human disorders. Such polypeptides may also play important roles in biotechnological and medical research as well as various industrial applications. As a result, there is particular scientific and medical interest in new molecules, such as PRO295.

As the PRO293 polypeptide is clearly a leucine rich repeat polypeptide homologue, the peptide can be used in all applications that the known NLRR-1 and NLRR-2 polypeptides are used. The activity can be compared between these peptides and thus applied accordingly.

The PRO247 polypeptides described herein can be used in assays in which densin is used to determine the activity of PRO247 relative to densin or these other proteins. The results can be used accordingly in diagnostics and/or therapeutic applications with PRO247.

PRO302, PRO303, PRO304, PRO307 and PRO343 polypeptides of the present invention which possess protease activity may be employed both *in vivo* for therapeutic purposes and *in vitro*. Those of ordinary skill in the art will well know how to employ the PRO302, PRO303, PRO304, PRO307 and PRO343 polypeptides of the present invention for such purposes.

PRO328 polypeptides and portions thereof which have homology to GLIP and CRISP may also be useful for *in vivo* therapeutic purposes, as well as for various other applications. The identification of novel GLIP and CRISP-like molecules may have relevance to a number of human disorders which involve transcriptional regulation or are over expressed in human tumors. Thus, the identification of new GLIP and CRISP-like molecules is of special importance in that such proteins may serve as potential therapeutics for a variety of different human disorders. Such polypeptides may also play important roles in biotechnological and medical research as well as in various industrial applications. As a result, there is particular scientific and medical interest in new molecules, such as PRO328.

Uses for PRO335, PRO331 or PRO326 including uses in competitive assays with LIG-1, ALS and decorin to determine their relative activities. The results can be used accordingly. PRO335, PRO331 or PRO326 can also be used in assays where LIG-1 would be used to determine if the same effects are incurred.

PRO332 contains GAG repeat (GKEK) at amino acid positions 625-628 in Fig. 108 (SEQ ID NO:310). Slippage in such repeats can be associated with human disease. Accordingly, PRO332 can be useful for the treatment of such disease conditions by gene therapy, i.e. by introduction of a gene containing the correct GKEK sequence motif.

Other uses of PRO334 include use in assays in which fibrillin or fibulin would be used to determine the relative activity of PRO334 to fibrillin or fibulin. In particular, PRO334 can be used in assays which require the mechanisms imparted by epidermal growth factor repeats.

Native PRO346 (SEQ ID NO:320) has a Blast score of 230, corresponding to 27% homology between amino acid residues 21 to 343 with residues 35 to 1040 CGM6_HUMAN, a carcinoembryonic antigen egm6 precursor. This homology region includes nearly all but 2 N-terminal extracellular domain residues, including an immunoglobulin superfamily homology at residues 148 to 339 of PRO346 in addition to several transmembrane

residues (340-343). Carcinoembryonic antigen precursor, as explained in the Background is a tumor-specific antigen, and as such, is a recognized marker and therapeutic target for the diagnosis and treatment of colon cancer. The expression of tumor-specific antigens is often associated with the progression of neoplastic tissue disorders. Native PRO346 (SEQ ID NO:320) and P_W06874, a human carcinoembryonic antigen CEA-d have a Blast score of 224 and homology of 28% between residues 2 to 343 and 67 to 342, respectively. This homology includes the entire extracellular domain residues of native PRO346, minus the initiator methionine (residues 2 to 18) as well as several transmembrane residues (340-343).

PRO268 polypeptides which have protein disulfide isomerase activity will be useful for many applications where protein disulfide isomerase activity is desirable including, for example, for use in promoting proper disulfide bond formation in recombinantly produced proteins so as to increase the yield of correctly folded protein. Those of ordinary skill in the art will readily know how to employ such PRO268 polypeptides for such purposes.

PRO330 polypeptides of the present invention which possess biological activity related to that of the prolyl 4-hydroxylase alpha subunit protein may be employed both *in vivo* for therapeutic purposes and *in vitro*. Those of ordinary skill in the art will well know how to employ the PRO330 polypeptides of the present invention for such purposes

55. Anti-PRO Polypeptide Antibodies

The present invention further provides anti-PRO polypeptide antibodies. Exemplary antibodies include polyclonal, monoclonal, humanized, bispecific, and heteroconjugate antibodies.

A. Polyclonal Antibodies

The anti-PRO polypeptide antibodies may comprise polyclonal antibodies. Methods of preparing polyclonal antibodies are known to the skilled artisan. Polyclonal antibodies can be raised in a mammal, for example, by one or more injections of an immunizing agent and, if desired, an adjuvant. Typically, the immunizing agent and/or adjuvant will be injected in the mammal by multiple subcutaneous or intraperitoneal injections. The immunizing agent may include the PRO polypeptide or a fusion protein thereof. It may be useful to conjugate the immunizing agent to a protein known to be immunogenic in the mammal being immunized. Examples of such immunogenic proteins include but are not limited to keyhole limpet hemocyanin, serum albumin, bovine thyroglobulin, and soybean trypsin inhibitor. Examples of adjuvants which may be employed include Freund's complete adjuvant and MPL-TDM adjuvant (monophosphoryl Lipid A, synthetic trehalose dicorynomycolate). The immunization protocol may be selected by one skilled in the art without undue experimentation.

B. Monoclonal Antibodies

The anti-PRO polypeptide antibodies may, alternatively, be monoclonal antibodies. Monoclonal antibodies may be prepared using hybridoma methods, such as those described by Kohler and Milstein, *Nature*, 256:495 (1975). In a hybridoma method, a mouse, hamster, or other appropriate host animal, is typically immunized with an immunizing agent to elicit lymphocytes that produce or are capable of producing antibodies that will specifically bind to the immunizing agent. Alternatively, the lymphocytes may be immunized *in vitro*.

The immunizing agent will typically include the PRO polypeptide of interest or a fusion protein thereof. Generally, either peripheral blood lymphocytes ("PBLs") are used if cells of human origin are desired, or spleen cells or lymph node cells are used if non-human mammalian sources are desired. The lymphocytes are then fused with an immortalized cell line using a suitable fusing agent, such as polyethylene glycol, to form a hybridoma cell [Goding, *Monoclonal Antibodies: Principles and Practice*, Academic Press, (1986) pp. 59-103]. Immortalized cell lines are usually transformed mammalian cells, particularly myeloma cells of rodent, bovine and human origin. Usually, rat or mouse myeloma cell lines are employed. The hybridoma cells may be cultured in a suitable culture medium that preferably contains one or more substances that inhibit the growth or survival of the unfused, immortalized cells. For example, if the parental cells lack the enzyme hypoxanthine guanine phosphoribosyl transferase (HGPRT or HPRT), the culture medium for the hybridomas typically will include hypoxanthine, aminopterin, and thymidine ("HAT medium"), which substances prevent the growth of HGPRT-deficient cells.

Preferred immortalized cell lines are those that fuse efficiently, support stable high level expression of antibody by the selected antibody-producing cells, and are sensitive to a medium such as HAT medium. More preferred immortalized cell lines are murine myeloma lines, which can be obtained, for instance, from the Salk Institute Cell Distribution Center, San Diego, California and the American Type Culture Collection, Rockville, Maryland. Human myeloma and mouse-human heteromyeloma cell lines also have been described for the production of human monoclonal antibodies [Kozbor, *J. Immunol.*, 133:3001 (1984); Brodeur *et al.*, *Monoclonal Antibody Production Techniques and Applications*, Marcel Dekker, Inc., New York, (1987) pp. 51-63].

The culture medium in which the hybridoma cells are cultured can then be assayed for the presence of monoclonal antibodies directed against the PRO polypeptide of interest. Preferably, the binding specificity of monoclonal antibodies produced by the hybridoma cells is determined by immunoprecipitation or by an *in vitro* binding assay, such as radioimmunoassay (RIA) or enzyme-linked immunoabsorbent assay (ELISA). Such techniques and assays are known in the art. The binding affinity of the monoclonal antibody can, for example, be determined by the Scatchard analysis of Munson and Pollard, *Anal. Biochem.*, 107:220 (1980).

After the desired hybridoma cells are identified, the clones may be subcloned by limiting dilution procedures and grown by standard methods [Goding, *supra*]. Suitable culture media for this purpose include, for example, Dulbecco's Modified Eagle's Medium and RPMI-1640 medium. Alternatively, the hybridoma cells may be grown *in vivo* as ascites in a mammal.

The monoclonal antibodies secreted by the subclones may be isolated or purified from the culture medium or ascites fluid by conventional immunoglobulin purification procedures such as, for example, protein A-Sepharose, hydroxylapatite chromatography, gel electrophoresis, dialysis, or affinity chromatography.

The monoclonal antibodies may also be made by recombinant DNA methods, such as those described in U.S. Patent No. 4,816,567. DNA encoding the monoclonal antibodies of the invention can be readily isolated and sequenced using conventional procedures (e.g., by using oligonucleotide probes that are capable of binding specifically to genes encoding the heavy and light chains of murine antibodies). The hybridoma cells of the invention serve as a preferred source of such DNA. Once isolated, the DNA may be placed into expression vectors, which are then transfected into host cells such as simian COS cells, Chinese hamster ovary (CHO) cells, or myeloma cells that do not otherwise produce immunoglobulin protein, to obtain the synthesis of monoclonal antibodies in the

recombinant host cells. The DNA also may be modified, for example, by substituting the coding sequence for human heavy and light chain constant domains in place of the homologous murine sequences [U.S. Patent No. 4,816,567; Morrison et al., *supra*] or by covalently joining to the immunoglobulin coding sequence all or part of the coding sequence for a non-immunoglobulin polypeptide. Such a non-immunoglobulin polypeptide can be substituted for the constant domains of an antibody of the invention, or can be substituted for the variable domains of one antigen-combining site of an antibody of the invention to create a chimeric bivalent antibody.

The antibodies may be monovalent antibodies. Methods for preparing monovalent antibodies are well known in the art. For example, one method involves recombinant expression of immunoglobulin light chain and modified heavy chain. The heavy chain is truncated generally at any point in the Fc region so as to prevent heavy chain crosslinking. Alternatively, the relevant cysteine residues are substituted with another amino acid residue or are deleted so as to prevent crosslinking.

In vitro methods are also suitable for preparing monovalent antibodies. Digestion of antibodies to produce fragments thereof, particularly, Fab fragments, can be accomplished using routine techniques known in the art.

C. Humanized Antibodies

The anti-PRO polypeptide antibodies of the invention may further comprise humanized antibodies or human antibodies. Humanized forms of non-human (e.g., murine) antibodies are chimeric immunoglobulins, immunoglobulin chains or fragments thereof (such as Fv, Fab, Fab', F(ab')₂, or other antigen-binding subsequences of antibodies) which contain minimal sequence derived from non-human immunoglobulin. Humanized antibodies include human immunoglobulins (recipient antibody) in which residues from a complementary determining region (CDR) of the recipient are replaced by residues from a CDR of a non-human species (donor antibody) such as mouse, rat or rabbit having the desired specificity, affinity and capacity. In some instances, Fv framework residues of the human immunoglobulin are replaced by corresponding non-human residues. Humanized antibodies may also comprise residues which are found neither in the recipient antibody nor in the imported CDR or framework sequences. In general, the humanized antibody will comprise substantially all of at least one, and typically two, variable domains, in which all or substantially all of the CDR regions correspond to those of a non-human immunoglobulin and all or substantially all of the FR regions are those of a human immunoglobulin consensus sequence. The humanized antibody optimally also will comprise at least a portion of an immunoglobulin constant region (Fc), typically that of a human immunoglobulin [Jones et al., *Nature*, 321: 522-525 (1986); Riechmann et al., *Nature*, 332:323-329 (1988); and Presta, *Curr. Op. Struct. Biol.*, 2:593-596 (1992)].

Methods for humanizing non-human antibodies are well known in the art. Generally, a humanized antibody has one or more amino acid residues introduced into it from a source which is non-human. These non-human amino acid residues are often referred to as "import" residues, which are typically taken from an "import" variable domain. Humanization can be essentially performed following the method of Winter and co-workers [Jones et al., *Nature*, 321: 522-525 (1986); Riechmann et al., *Nature*, 332:323-327 (1988); Verhoeven et al., *Science*, 229:1534-1536 (1988)], by substituting rodent CDRs or CDR sequences for the corresponding sequences of a human antibody. Accordingly, such "humanized" antibodies are chimeric antibodies (U.S. Patent No. 4,816,567), wherein substantially less than an intact human variable domain has been substituted by the corresponding sequence from a non-human species. In

practice, humanized antibodies are typically human antibodies in which some CDR residues and possibly some FR residues are substituted by residues from analogous sites in rodent antibodies.

Human antibodies can also be produced using various techniques known in the art, including phage display libraries [Hoogenboom and Winter, *J. Mol. Biol.*, 227:381 (1991); Marks *et al.*, *J. Mol. Biol.*, 222:581 (1991)]. The techniques of Cole *et al.* and Boerner *et al.* are also available for the preparation of human monoclonal antibodies (Cole *et al.*, *Monoclonal Antibodies and Cancer Therapy*, Alan R. Liss, p. 77 (1985) and Boerner *et al.*, *J. Immunol.*, 147(1):86-95 (1991)).

D. Bispecific Antibodies

Bispecific antibodies are monoclonal, preferably human or humanized, antibodies that have binding specificities for at least two different antigens. In the present case, one of the binding specificities is for the PRO polypeptide, the other one is for any other antigen, and preferably for a cell-surface protein or receptor or receptor subunit.

Methods for making bispecific antibodies are known in the art. Traditionally, the recombinant production of bispecific antibodies is based on the co-expression of two immunoglobulin heavy-chain/light-chain pairs, where the two heavy chains have different specificities [Milstein and Cuello, *Nature*, 305:537-539 (1983)]. Because of the random assortment of immunoglobulin heavy and light chains, these hybridomas (quadromas) produce a potential mixture of ten different antibody molecules, of which only one has the correct bispecific structure. The purification of the correct molecule is usually accomplished by affinity chromatography steps. Similar procedures are disclosed in WO 93/08829, published 13 May 1993, and in Traunecker *et al.*, *EMBO J.*, 10:3655-3659 (1991).

Antibody variable domains with the desired binding specificities (antibody-antigen combining sites) can be fused to immunoglobulin constant domain sequences. The fusion preferably is with an immunoglobulin heavy-chain constant domain, comprising at least part of the hinge, CH2, and CH3 regions. It is preferred to have the first heavy-chain constant region (CH1) containing the site necessary for light-chain binding present in at least one of the fusions. DNAs encoding the immunoglobulin heavy-chain fusions and, if desired, the immunoglobulin light chain, are inserted into separate expression vectors, and are co-transfected into a suitable host organism. For further details of generating bispecific antibodies see, for example, Suresh *et al.*, *Methods in Enzymology*, 121:210 (1986).

E. Heteroconjugate Antibodies

Heteroconjugate antibodies are also within the scope of the present invention. Heteroconjugate antibodies are composed of two covalently joined antibodies. Such antibodies have, for example, been proposed to target immune system cells to unwanted cells [U.S. Patent No. 4,676,980], and for treatment of HIV infection [WO 91/00360, WO 92/200373, EP 03089]. It is contemplated that the antibodies may be prepared *in vitro* using known methods in synthetic protein chemistry, including those involving crosslinking agents. For example, immunotoxins may be constructed using a disulfide exchange reaction or by forming a thioether bond. Examples of suitable reagents for this purpose include iminothiolate and methyl-4-mercaptobutyrimidate and those disclosed, for example, in U.S. Patent No. 4,676,980.

56. Uses for Anti-PRO Polypeptide Antibodies

The anti-PRO polypeptide antibodies of the invention have various utilities. For example, anti-PRO polypeptide antibodies may be used in diagnostic assays for a PRO polypeptide, e.g., detecting its expression in specific cells, tissues, or serum. Various diagnostic assay techniques known in the art may be used, such as competitive binding assays, direct or indirect sandwich assays and immunoprecipitation assays conducted in either heterogeneous or homogeneous phases [Zola, Monoclonal Antibodies: A Manual of Techniques, CRC Press, Inc. (1987) pp. 147-158]. The antibodies used in the diagnostic assays can be labeled with a detectable moiety. The detectable moiety should be capable of producing, either directly or indirectly, a detectable signal. For example, the detectable moiety may be a radioisotope, such as ^3H , ^{14}C , ^{32}P , ^{35}S , or ^{125}I , a fluorescent or chemiluminescent compound, such as fluorescein isothiocyanate, rhodamine, or luciferin, or an enzyme, such as alkaline phosphatase, beta-galactosidase or horseradish peroxidase. Any method known in the art for conjugating the antibody to the detectable moiety may be employed, including those methods described by Hunter *et al.*, *Nature*, 144:945 (1962); David *et al.*, *Biochemistry*, 13:1014 (1974); Pain *et al.*, *J. Immunol. Meth.*, 40:219 (1981); and Nygren, *J. Histochem. and Cytochem.*, 30:407 (1982).

Anti-PRO polypeptide antibodies also are useful for the affinity purification of PRO polypeptide from recombinant cell culture or natural sources. In this process, the antibodies against the PRO polypeptide are immobilized on a suitable support, such as a Sephadex resin or filter paper, using methods well known in the art. The immobilized antibody then is contacted with a sample containing the PRO polypeptide to be purified, and thereafter the support is washed with a suitable solvent that will remove substantially all the material in the sample except the PRO polypeptide, which is bound to the immobilized antibody. Finally, the support is washed with another suitable solvent that will release the PRO polypeptide from the antibody.

With regard to PRO211 and PRO217, therapeutic indications include disorders associated with the preservation and maintenance of gastrointestinal mucosa and the repair of acute and chronic mucosal lesions (e.g., enterocolitis, Zollinger-Ellison syndrome, gastrointestinal ulceration and congenital microvillus atrophy), skin diseases associated with abnormal keratinocyte differentiation (e.g., psoriasis, epithelial cancers such as lung squamous cell carcinoma, epidermoid carcinoma of the vulva and gliomas).

With regard to anti-PRO187 antibodies, FGF-8 has been implicated in cellular differentiation and embryogenesis, including the patterning which appears during limb formation. FGF-8 and the PRO187 molecules of the invention therefore are likely to have potent effects on cell growth and development. Diseases which relate to cellular growth and differentiation are therefore suitable targets for therapeutics based on functionality similar to FGF-8. For example, diseases related to growth or survival of nerve cells including Parkinson's disease, Alzheimer's disease, ALS, neuropathies. Additionally, disease related to uncontrolled cell growth, e.g., cancer, would also be expected therapeutic targets.

Native PRO533 is a 216 amino acid polypeptide of which residues 1-22 are the signal sequence. Residues 3 to 216 have a Blast score of 509, corresponding to 53% homology to fibroblast growth factor. At the nucleotide level, DNA47412, the EST from which PCR oligos were generated to isolate the full length DNA49435-1219, has been observed to map to 11p15. Sequence homology to the 11p15 locus would indicate that PRO533 may have utility in the treatment of Usher Syndrome or Atrophia arcata.

As mentioned previously, fibroblast growth factors can act upon cells in both a mitogenic and non-mitogenic manner. These factors are mitogenic for a wide variety of normal diploid mesoderm-derived and neural crest-derived cells, inducing granulosa cells, adrenal cortical cells, chondrocytes, myoblasts, corneal and vascular endothelial cells (bovine or human), vascular smooth muscle cells, lens, retina and prostatic epithelial cells, oligodendrocytes, astrocytes, chondrocytes, myoblasts and osteoblasts. Antibodies to these factors can be generated to modulate such effects.

Non-mitogenic actions of fibroblast growth factors include promotion of cell migration into a wound area (chemotaxis), initiation of new blood vessel formation (angiogenesis), modulation of nerve regeneration and survival (neurotrophism), modulation of endocrine functions, and stimulation or suppression of specific cellular protein expression, extracellular matrix production and cell survival. Baird, A. & Bohlen, P., *Handbook of Exp. Pharmacol.* 95(1): 369-418 (1990). These properties provide a basis for using fibroblast growth factors in therapeutic approaches to accelerate wound healing, nerve repair, collateral blood vessel formation, and the like. For example, fibroblast growth factors, have been suggested to minimize myocardium damage in heart disease and surgery (U.S.P. 4,378,437). Antibodies to these factors can be generated to modulate such effects.

Therapeutic indications for PRO214 polypeptides include disorders associated with the preservation and maintenance of gastrointestinal mucosa and the repair of acute and chronic mucosal lesions (e.g., enterocolitis, Zollinger-Ellison syndrome, gastrointestinal ulceration and congenital microvillus atrophy), skin diseases associated with abnormal keratinocyte differentiation (e.g., psoriasis, epithelial cancers such as lung squamous cell carcinoma, epidermoid carcinoma of the vulva and gliomas).

Anti-PRO317 antibodies find use in anti-tumor indications if they are angiostatic, or in coronary ischemic indications if they are angiogenic.

Native PRO301 (SEQ ID NO:119) has a Blast score of 246 and 30% homology at residues 24 to 282 of Fig. 44 with A33_HUMAN, an A33 antigen precursor. A33 antigen precursor, as explained in the Background is a tumor-specific antigen, and as such, is a recognized marker and therapeutic target for the diagnosis and treatment of colon cancer. The expression of tumor-specific antigens is often associated with the progression of neoplastic tissue disorders. Native PRO301 (SEQ ID NO:119) and A33_HUMAN also show a Blast score of 245 and 30% homology at residues 21 to 282 of Fig. 44 with A33_HUMAN, the variation dependent upon how spaces are inserted into the compared sequences. Native PRO301 (SEQ ID NO:119) also has a Blast score of 165 and 29% homology at residues 60 to 255 of Fig. 44 with HS46KDA_1, a human coxsackie and adenovirus receptor protein, also known as cell surface protein HCAR. This region of PRO301 also shows a similar Blast score and homology with HSU90716_1. Expression of such proteins is usually associated with viral infection and therapeutics for the prevention of such infection may be accordingly conceived. Accordingly, antibodies to the above identified antigens and receptors have therapeutic potential as diagnostic and treatment techniques.

Therapeutic uses for the PRO234 polypeptides of the invention includes treatments associated with leukocyte homing or the interaction between leukocytes and the endothelium during an inflammatory response. Examples include asthma, rheumatoid arthritis, psoriasis and multiple sclerosis.

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The following examples are offered for illustrative purposes only, and are not intended to limit the scope of the present invention in any way.

All patent and literature references cited in the present specification are hereby incorporated by reference in their entirety.

EXAMPLES

Commercially available reagents referred to in the examples were used according to manufacturer's instructions unless otherwise indicated. The source of those cells identified in the following examples, and throughout the specification, by ATCC accession numbers is the American Type Culture Collection, Rockville, Maryland.

EXAMPLE 1: Extracellular Domain Homology Screening to Identify Novel Polypeptides and cDNA Encoding Therefor

The extracellular domain (ECD) sequences (including the secretion signal sequence, if any) from about 950 known secreted proteins from the Swiss-Prot public database were used to search EST databases. The EST databases included public databases (e.g., Dayhoff, GenBank), and proprietary databases (e.g. LIFESEQ™, Incyte Pharmaceuticals, Palo Alto, CA). The search was performed using the computer program BLAST or BLAST2 (Altschul, and Gish, Methods in Enzymology 266: 460-80 (1996); <http://blast.wustl.edu/blast/README.html>) as a comparison of the ECD protein sequences to a 6 frame translation of the EST sequences. Those comparisons with a Blast score of 70 (or in some cases 90) or greater that did not encode known proteins were clustered and assembled into consensus DNA sequences with the program "phrap" (Phil Green, University of Washington, Seattle, WA; (<http://bozeman.mbt.washington.edu/phrap.docs/phrap.html>)).

Using this extracellular domain homology screen, consensus DNA sequences were assembled relative to the other identified EST sequences. In addition, the consensus DNA sequences obtained were often (but not always) extended using repeated cycles of BLAST and phrap to extend the consensus sequence as far as possible using the sources of EST sequences discussed above.

Based upon the consensus sequences obtained as described above, oligonucleotides were then synthesized and used to identify by PCR a cDNA library that contained the sequence of interest and for use as probes to isolate a clone of the full-length coding sequence for a PRO polypeptide. Forward (.f) and reverse (.r) PCR primers generally range from 20 to 30 nucleotides and are often designed to give a PCR product of about 100-1000 bp in length. The probe (.p) sequences are typically 40-55 bp in length. In some cases, additional oligonucleotides are

synthesized when the consensus sequence is greater than about 1-1.5kbp. In order to screen several libraries for a full-length clone, DNA from the libraries was screened by PCR amplification, as per Ausubel et al., Current Protocols in Molecular Biology, with the PCR primer pair. A positive library was then used to isolate clones encoding the gene of interest using the probe oligonucleotide and one of the primer pairs.

The cDNA libraries used to isolate the cDNA clones were constructed by standard methods using commercially available reagents such as those from Invitrogen, San Diego, CA. The cDNA was primed with oligo dT containing a NotI site, linked with blunt to Sall hemikinased adaptors, cleaved with NotI, sized appropriately by gel electrophoresis, and cloned in a defined orientation into a suitable cloning vector (such as pRKB or pRKD; pRK5B is a precursor of pRK5D that does not contain the SfiI site; see, Holmes et al., Science, **253**:1278-1280 (1991)) in the unique XhoI and NotI sites.

EXAMPLE 2: Isolation of cDNA Clones Encoding PRO211 and PRO217

Consensus DNA sequences were assembled as described in Example 1 above and were designated as DNA28730 and DNA28760, respectively. Based on these consensus sequences, oligonucleotides were synthesized and used to identify by PCR a cDNA library that contained the sequences of interest and for use as probes to isolate a clone of the full-length coding sequence for the PRO211 and PRO217 polypeptides. The libraries used to isolate DNA32292-1131 and DNA33094-1131 were fetal lung libraries.

cDNA clones were sequenced in their entirety. The entire nucleotide sequences of PRO211 (DNA32292-1131; UNQ185) and PRO217 (UNQ191; DNA33094-1131) are shown in Figure 1 (SEQ ID NO: 1) and Figure 3 (SEQ ID NO:3), respectively. The predicted polypeptides are 353 and 379 amino acid in length, respectively, with respective molecular weights of approximately 38,190 and 41,520 daltons.

The oligonucleotide sequences used in the above procedures were the following:

28730.p (OLI 516) (SEQ ID NO:5)

5'-AGGGAGCACGGACAGTGTGCAGATGTGGACGAGTGCTCACTAGCA-3'

28730.f (OLI 517) (SEQ ID NO:6)

5'-AGAGTGTATCTCTGGCTACGC-3'

28730.r (OLI 518) (SEQ ID NO:7)

5'-TAAGTCCGGCACATTACAGGTC-3'

28760.p (OLI 617) (SEQ ID NO:8)

5'-CCCACGATGTATGAATGGTGGACTTTGTGTGACTCCTGGTTTCTGCATC-3'

28760.f (OLI 618) (SEQ ID NO:9)

5'-AAAGACGCATCTGCGAGTGTCC-3'

28760.r (OLI 619) (SEQ ID NO:10)

5'-TGCTGATTTACACTGCTCTCCC-3'

EXAMPLE 3: Isolation of cDNA Clones Encoding Human PRO230

A consensus DNA sequence was assembled relative to the other identified EST sequences as described in Example 1 above, wherein the consensus sequence is designated herein as DNA30857. An EST proprietary to

Genentech was employed in the consensus assembly. The EST is designated as DNA20088 and has the nucleotide sequence shown in Figure 7 (SEQ ID NO:13).

Based on the DNA30857 consensus sequence, oligonucleotides were synthesized to identify by PCR a cDNA library that contained the sequence of interest and for use as probes to isolate a clone of the full-length coding sequence for PRO230.

- 5 A pair of PCR primers (forward and reverse) were synthesized:

forward PCR primer 5'-TTCGAGGCCTCTGAGAAGTGGCCC-3' (SEQ ID NO:14)

reverse PCR primer 5'-GGCGGTATCTCTCTGGCCTCCC-3' (SEQ ID NO:15)

Additionally, a synthetic oligonucleotide hybridization probe was constructed from the consensus DNA30857 sequence which had the following nucleotide sequence

- 10 hybridization probe

5'-TTCTCCACAGCAGCTGTGGCATCCGATCGTGTCTCAATCCATTCTCTGGG-3' (SEQ ID NO:16)

In order to screen several libraries for a source of a full-length clone, DNA from the libraries was screened by PCR amplification with the PCR primer pair identified above. A positive library was then used to isolate clones encoding the PRO230 gene using the probe oligonucleotide and one of the PCR primers.

- 15 RNA for construction of the cDNA libraries was isolated from human fetal lung tissue. DNA sequencing of the clones isolated as described above gave the full-length DNA sequence for PRO230 (herein designated as UNQ204 (DNA33223-1136)) and the derived protein sequence for PRO230.

- The entire nucleotide sequence of UNQ204 (DNA33223-1136) is shown in Figure 5 (SEQ ID NO:11). Clone UNQ204 (DNA33223-1136) contains a single open reading frame with an apparent translational initiation site at nucleotide positions 100-103 and ending at the stop codon at nucleotide positions 1501-1503 (Figure 5; SEQ ID NO:11). The predicted polypeptide precursor is 467 amino acids long (Figure 6).

EXAMPLE 4: Isolation of cDNA Clones Encoding Human PRO232

- 25 A consensus DNA sequence was assembled relative to the other identified EST sequences as described in Example 1 above, wherein the consensus sequence is designated herein as DNA30935. Based on the DNA30935 consensus sequence, oligonucleotides were synthesized to identify by PCR a cDNA library that contained the sequence of interest and for use as probes to isolate a clone of the full-length coding sequence for PRO232.

A pair of PCR primers (forward and reverse) were synthesized:

forward PCR primer 5'-TGCTGTGCTACTCCTGCAAAGCCC-3' (SEQ ID NO:19)

- 30 reverse PCR primer 5'-TGCAAGTCGGTGTACAGCAGC-3' (SEQ ID NO:20)

Additionally, a synthetic oligonucleotide hybridization probe was constructed from the consensus DNA30935 sequence which had the following nucleotide sequence

hybridization probe

5'-AGCAACGAGGACTGCCTGCAGGTGGAGAACTGCACCCAGCTGGG-3' (SEQ ID NO:21)

- 35 In order to screen several libraries for a source of a full-length clone, DNA from the libraries was screened by PCR amplification with the PCR primer pair identified above. A positive library was then used to isolate clones encoding the PRO232 gene using the probe oligonucleotide and one of the PCR primers.

RNA for construction of the cDNA libraries was isolated from human fetal kidney tissue.

DNA sequencing of the clones isolated as described above gave the full-length DNA sequence for PRO232 [herein designated as UNQ206 (DNA34435-1140)] and the derived protein sequence for PRO232.

The entire nucleotide sequence of UNQ206 (DNA34435-1140) is shown in Figure 8 (SEQ ID NO:17).

Clone UNQ206 (DNA34435-1140) contains a single open reading frame with an apparent translational initiation site at nucleotide positions 17-19 and ending at the stop codon at nucleotide positions 359-361 (Fig. 8; SEQ ID NO:17).

The predicted polypeptide precursor is 114 amino acids long (Fig. 9). Clone UNQ206 (DNA34435-1140) has been deposited with ATCC on September 16, 1997 and is assigned ATCC deposit no. ATCC 209250.

Analysis of the amino acid sequence of the full-length PRO232 suggests that it possesses 35% sequence identity with a stem cell surface antigen from *Gallus gallus*.

EXAMPLE 5: Isolation of cDNA Clones Encoding PRO187

A proprietary expressed sequence tag (EST) DNA database (LIFESEQ™, Incyte Pharmaceuticals, Palo Alto, CA) was searched and an EST (#843193) was identified which showed homology to fibroblast growth factor (FGF-8) also known as androgen-induced growth factor. mRNA was isolated from human fetal lung tissue using reagents and protocols from Invitrogen, San Diego, CA (Fast Track 2). The cDNA libraries used to isolate the cDNA clones were constructed by standard methods using commercially available reagents (e.g., Invitrogen, San Diego, CA, Life Technologies, Gaithersburg, MD). The cDNA was primed with oligo dT containing a NotI site, linked with blunt to SalI hemikinased adaptors, cleaved with NotI, sized appropriately by gel electrophoresis, and cloned in a defined orientation into the cloning vector pRK5D using reagents and protocols from Life Technologies, Gaithersburg, MD (Super Script Plasmid System). The double-stranded cDNA was sized to greater than 1000 bp and the SalI/NotI linker cDNA was cloned into XhoI/NotI cleaved vector. pRK5D is a cloning vector that has an sp6 transcription initiation site followed by an SfiI restriction enzyme site preceding the XhoI/NotI cDNA cloning sites.

Several libraries from various tissue sources were screened by PCR amplification with the following oligonucleotide probes:

IN843193.f (OLI315) (SEQ ID NO:24)

5'-CAGTACGTGAGGGACCAGGGCGCCATGA-3'

IN843193.r (OLI 317) (SEQ ID NO:25)

5'-CCGGTGACCTGCACGTGCTTGCCA-3'

A positive library was then used to isolate clones encoding the PRO187 gene using one of the above oligonucleotides and the following oligonucleotide probe:

IN843193.p (OLI 316) (SEQ ID NO:26)

5'-GCGGATCTGCCGCCTGCTCANCTGGTCGGTCATGGCGCCCT-3'

A cDNA clone was sequenced in entirety. The entire nucleotide sequence of PRO187 (DNA27864-1155) is shown in Figure 10 (SEQ ID NO:22). Clone DNA27864-1155 contains a single open reading frame with an apparent translational initiation site at nucleotide position 1 (Figure 10; SEQ ID NO:22). The predicted polypeptide precursor is 205 amino acids long. Clone DNA27864-1155 has been deposited with the ATCC (designation: DNA27864-1155) and is assigned ATCC deposit no. ATCC 209375.

Based on a BLAST and FastA sequence alignment analysis (using the ALIGN computer program) of the full-length sequence, the PRO187 polypeptide shows 74% amino acid sequence identity (Blast score 310) to human fibroblast growth factor-8 (androgen-induced growth factor).

EXAMPLE 6: Isolation of cDNA Clones Encoding PRO265

A consensus DNA sequence was assembled relative to other EST sequences as described in Example 1 above using phrap. This consensus sequence is herein designated DNA33679. Based on the DNA33679 consensus sequence, oligonucleotides were synthesized: 1) to identify by PCR a cDNA library that contained the sequence of interest, and 2) for use as probes to isolate a clone of the full-length coding sequence for PRO265.

PCR primers (two forward and one reverse) were synthesized:

forward PCR primer A: 5'-CGGTCTACCTGTATGGCAACC-3' (SEQ ID NO:29);
forward PCR primer B: 5'-GCAGGACAACCAGATAAACCAC-3' (SEQ ID NO:30);
reverse PCR primer 5'-ACGCAGATTTGAGAAGGCTGTC-3' (SEQ ID NO:31)

Additionally, a synthetic oligonucleotide hybridization probe was constructed from the consensus DNA33679 sequence which had the following nucleotide sequence

hybridization probe
5'-TTCACGGGCTGCTCTTGGCCAGCTCTTGAAGCTTGAAGAGCTGCAC-3' (SEQ ID NO:32)

In order to screen several libraries for a source of a full-length clone, DNA from the libraries was screened by PCR amplification with PCR primer pairs identified above. A positive library was then used to isolate clones encoding the PRO265 gene using the probe oligonucleotide and one of the PCR primers.

RNA for construction of the cDNA libraries was isolated from human a fetal brain library.

DNA sequencing of the clones isolated as described above gave the full-length DNA sequence for PRO265 [herein designated as UNQ232 (DNA36350-1158)] (SEQ ID NO:27) and the derived protein sequence for PRO265.

The entire nucleotide sequence of UNQ232 (DNA36350-1158) is shown in Figure 12 (SEQ ID NO:27). Clone UNQ232 (DNA36350-1158) contains a single open reading frame with an apparent translational initiation site at nucleotide positions 352-354 and ending at the stop codon at positions 2332-2334 (Figure 12). The predicted polypeptide precursor is 660 amino acids long (Figure 13). Clone UNQ232 (DNA36350-1158) has been deposited with ATCC and is assigned ATCC deposit no. ATCC 209378.

Analysis of the amino acid sequence of the full-length PRO265 polypeptide suggests that portions of it possess significant homology to the fibromodulin and the fibromodulin precursor, thereby indicating that PRO265 may be a novel member of the leucine rich repeat family, particularly related to fibromodulin.

EXAMPLE 7: Isolation of cDNA Clones Encoding Human PRO219

A consensus DNA sequence was assembled relative to other EST sequences using phrap as described in Example 1 above. This consensus sequence is herein designated DNA28729. Based on the DNA28729 consensus sequence, oligonucleotides were synthesized: 1) to identify by PCR a cDNA library that contained the sequence of interest, and 2) for use as probes to isolate a clone of the full-length coding sequence for PRO219.

A pair of PCR primers (forward and reverse) were synthesized:

forward PCR primer 5'-GTGACCCTGGTTGTGAATACTCC-3' (SEQ ID NO:35)

reverse PCR primer 5'-ACAGCCATGGTCTATAGCTTGG-3' (SEQ ID NO:36)

Additionally, a synthetic oligonucleotide hybridization probe was constructed from the consensus DNA28729 sequence which had the following nucleotide sequence

5 hybridization probe

5'-GCCTGTCTAGTCTCCTGAGGGACACGTGCTCCGCAGCGATGGGAAG-3' (SEQ ID NO:37)

In order to screen several libraries for a source of a full-length clone, DNA from the libraries was screened by PCR amplification with the PCR primer pair identified above. A positive library was then used to isolate clones encoding the PRO219 gene using the probe oligonucleotide and one of the PCR primers.

10 RNA for construction of the cDNA libraries was isolated from human fetal kidney tissue.

DNA sequencing of the clones isolated as described above gave the full-length DNA sequence for PRO219 [herein designated as UNQ193 (DNA32290-1164)] (SEQ ID NO:33) and the derived protein sequence for PRO219.

The entire nucleotide sequence of UNQ193 (DNA32290-1164) is shown in Figures 14A-B (SEQ ID NO:33). Clone UNQ193 (DNA32290-1164) contains a single open reading frame with an apparent translational initiation site at nucleotide positions 204-206 and ending at the stop codon at nucleotide positions 2949-2951 (Figures 14A-B). The predicted polypeptide precursor is 915 amino acids long (Figure 15). Clone UNQ193 (DNA32290-1164) has been deposited with ATCC and is assigned ATCC deposit no. ATCC 209384.

Analysis of the amino acid sequence of the full-length PRO219 polypeptide suggests that portions of it possess significant homology to the mouse and human matrilin-2 precursor polypeptides.

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EXAMPLE 8: Isolation of cDNA Clones Encoding Human PRO246

A consensus DNA sequence was assembled relative to other EST sequences using phrap as described in Example 1 above. This consensus sequence is herein designated DNA30955. Based on the DNA30955 consensus sequence, oligonucleotides were synthesized: 1) to identify by PCR a cDNA library that contained the sequence of interest, and 2) for use as probes to isolate a clone of the full-length coding sequence for PRO246.

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A pair of PCR primers (forward and reverse) were synthesized:

forward PCR primer 5'-AGGGTCTCCAGGAGAAAGACTC-3' (SEQ ID NO:40)

reverse PCR primer 5'-ATTGTGGCCTTGACAGACATAGAC-3' (SEQ ID NO:41)

Additionally, a synthetic oligonucleotide hybridization probe was constructed from the consensus DNA30955 sequence which had the following nucleotide sequence

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hybridization probe

5'-GGCCACAGCATCAAAACCTTAGAACTCAATGTACTGGTTCCTCCAGCTCC-3' (SEQ ID NO:42)

In order to screen several libraries for a source of a full-length clone, DNA from the libraries was screened by PCR amplification with the PCR primer pair identified above. A positive library was then used to isolate clones encoding the PRO246 gene using the probe oligonucleotide and one of the PCR primers.

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RNA for construction of the cDNA libraries was isolated from human fetal liver tissue. DNA sequencing of the clones isolated as described above gave the full-length DNA sequence for PRO246 [herein designated as

UNQ220 (DNA35639-1172)] (SEQ ID NO:38) and the derived protein sequence for PRO246.

The entire nucleotide sequence of UNQ220 (DNA35639-1172) is shown in Figure 16 (SEQ ID NO:38). Clone UNQ220 (DNA35639-1172) contains a single open reading frame with an apparent translational initiation site at nucleotide positions 126-128 and ending at the stop codon at nucleotide positions 1296-1298 (Figure 16). The predicted polypeptide precursor is 390 amino acids long (Figure 17). Clone UNQ220 (DNA35639-1172) has been deposited with ATCC and is assigned ATCC deposit no. ATCC 209396.

Analysis of the amino acid sequence of the full-length PRO246 polypeptide suggests that it possess significant homology to the human cell surface protein HCAR, thereby indicating that PRO246 may be a novel cell surface virus receptor.

10 EXAMPLE 9: Isolation of cDNA Clones Encoding Human PRO228

A consensus DNA sequence was assembled relative to other EST sequences using phrap as described in Example 1 above. This consensus sequence is herein designated DNA28758. An EST proprietary to Genentech was employed in the consensus assembly. This EST is shown in Figure 20 (SEQ ID NO:50) and is herein designated as DNA21951.

15 Based on the DNA28758 consensus sequence, oligonucleotides were synthesized: 1) to identify by PCR a cDNA library that contained the sequence of interest, and 2) for use as probes to isolate a clone of the full-length coding sequence for PRO228.

PCR primers (forward and reverse) were synthesized:

- forward PCR primer 5'-GGTAATGAGCTCCATTACAG-3' (SEQ ID NO:51)
- 20 forward PCR primer 5'-GGAGTAGAAAGCGCATGG-3' (SEQ ID NO:52)
- forward PCR primer 5'-CACCTGATACCATGAATGGCAG-3' (SEQ ID NO:53)
- reverse PCR primer 5'-CGAGCTCGAATTAATTCG-3' (SEQ ID NO:54)
- reverse PCR primer 5'-GGATCTCCTGAGCTCAGG-3' (SEQ ID NO:55)
- reverse PCR primer 5'-CCTAGTTGAGTGATCCTTGTAAG-3' (SEQ ID NO:56)

25 Additionally, a synthetic oligonucleotide hybridization probe was constructed from the consensus DNA28758 sequence which had the following nucleotide sequence

hybridization probe

5'-ATGAGACCCACACCTCATGCCGCTGTAAATCACCTGACACATTTTGCAATT-3' (SEQ ID NO:57)

In order to screen several libraries for a source of a full-length clone, DNA from the libraries was screened by PCR amplification with the PCR primer pairs identified above. A positive library was then used to isolate clones encoding the PRO228 gene using the probe oligonucleotide and one of the PCR primers.

RNA for construction of the cDNA libraries was isolated from human fetal kidney tissue.

DNA sequencing of the clones isolated as described above gave the full-length DNA sequence for PRO228 [herein designated as UNQ202 (DNA33092-1202)] (SEQ ID NO:48) and the derived protein sequence for PRO228.

35 The entire nucleotide sequence of UNQ202 (DNA33092-1202) is shown in Figure 18 (SEQ ID NO:48). Clone UNQ202 (DNA33092-1202) contains a single open reading frame with an apparent translational initiation site at nucleotide positions 24-26 of SEQ ID NO:48 and ending at the stop codon after nucleotide position 2093 of SEQ

ID NO:48. The predicted polypeptide precursor is 690 amino acids long (Figure 19). Clone UNQ202 (DNA33092-1202) has been deposited with ATCC and is assigned ATCC deposit no. ATCC 209420.

Analysis of the amino acid sequence of the full-length PRO228 polypeptide suggests that portions of it possess significant homology to the secretin-related proteins CD97 and EMR1 as well as the secretin member, latrophilin, thereby indicating that PRO228 may be a new member of the secretin related proteins.

EXAMPLE 10: Isolation of cDNA Clones Encoding Human PRO533

The EST sequence accession number AF007268, a murine fibroblast growth factor (FGF-15) was used to search various public EST databases (e.g., GenBank, Dayhoff, etc.). The search was performed using the computer program BLAST or BLAST2 [Altschul et al., *Methods in Enzymology*, 266:460-480 (1996); <http://blast.wustl.edu/blast/README.html>] as a comparison of the ECD protein sequences to a 6 frame translation of the EST sequences. The search resulted in a hit with GenBank EST AA220994, which has been identified as stratagene NT2 neuronal precursor 937230.

Based on the Genbank EST AA220994 sequence, oligonucleotides were synthesized: 1) to identify by PCR a cDNA library that contained the sequence of interest, and 2) for use as probes to isolate a clone of the full-length coding sequence. Forward and reverse PCR primers may range from 20 to 30 nucleotides (typically about 24), and are designed to give a PCR product of 100-1000 bp in length. The probe sequences are typically 40-55 bp (typically about 50) in length. In order to screen several libraries for a source of a full-length clone, DNA from the libraries was screened by PCR amplification, as per Ausubel et al., *Current Protocols in Molecular Biology*, with the PCR primer pair. A positive library was then used to isolate clones encoding the gene of interest using the probe oligonucleotide and one of the PCR primers.

In order to screen several libraries for a source of a full-length clone, DNA from the libraries was screened by PCR amplification with the PCR primer pair identified below. A positive library was then used to isolate clones encoding the PRO533 gene using the probe oligonucleotide and one of the PCR primers.

RNA for construction of the cDNA libraries was isolated from human fetal retina. The cDNA libraries used to isolated the cDNA clones were constructed by standard methods using commercially available reagents (e.g., Invitrogen, San Diego, CA; Clontech, etc.) The cDNA was primed with oligo dT containing a NotI site, linked with blunt to SalI hemikinased adaptors, cleaved with NotI, sized appropriately by gel electrophoresis, and cloned in a defined orientation into a suitable cloning vector (such as pRKB or pRKD; pRK5B is a precursor of pRK5D that does not contain the SfiI site; see, Holmes et al., *Science*, 253:1278-1280 (1991)) in the unique XhoI and NotI sites.

A cDNA clone was sequenced in its entirety. The full length nucleotide sequence of PRO533 is shown in Figure 21 (SEQ ID NO:58). Clone DNA49435-1219 contains a single open reading frame with an apparent translational initiation site at nucleotide positions 459-461 (Figure 21; SEQ ID NO:58). The predicted polypeptide precursor is 216 amino acids long. Clone DNA47412-1219 has been deposited with ATCC and is assigned ATCC deposit no. ATCC 209480.

Based on a BLAST-2 and FastA sequence alignment analysis of the full-length sequence, PRO533 shows amino acid sequence identity to fibroblast growth factor (53%).

The oligonucleotide sequences used in the above procedure were the following:

FGF15.forward: 5'-ATCCGCCCAGATGGCTACAATGTGTA-3' (SEQ ID NO:60);

FGF15.probe: 5'-GCCTCCCGGTCTCCCTGAGCAGTGCCAAACAGCGGCAGTGTA-3' (SEQ ID NO:61);

FGF15.reverse: 5'-CCAGTCCGGTGACAAGCCCAA-3' (SEQ ID NO:62).

5 EXAMPLE 11: Isolation of cDNA Clones Encoding Human PRO245

A consensus DNA sequence was assembled relative to the other identified EST sequences as described in Example 1 above, wherein the consensus sequence is designated herein as DNA30954.

Based on the DNA30954 consensus sequence, oligonucleotides were synthesized to identify by PCR a cDNA library that contained the sequence of interest and for use as probes to isolate a clone of the full-length coding
10 sequence for PRO245.

A pair of PCR primers (forward and reverse) were synthesized:

forward PCR primer 5'-ATCGTTGTGAAGTTAGTGCCCC-3' (SEQ ID NO:65)

reverse PCR primer 5'-ACCTGCGATATCCAACAGAATTG-3' (SEQ ID NO:66)

Additionally, a synthetic oligonucleotide hybridization probe was constructed from the consensus DNA30954
15 sequence which had the following nucleotide sequence

hybridization probe

5'-GGAAGAGGATACAGTCACTCTGGAAGTATTAGTGGCTCCAGCAGTTCC-3' (SEQ ID NO:67)

In order to screen several libraries for a source of a full-length clone, DNA from the libraries was screened by PCR amplification with the PCR primer pair identified above. A positive library was then used to isolate clones
20 encoding the PRO245 gene using the probe oligonucleotide and one of the PCR primers.

RNA for construction of the cDNA libraries was isolated from human fetal liver tissue. DNA sequencing of the clones isolated as described above gave the full-length DNA sequence for PRO245 [herein designated as UNQ219 (DNA35638-1141)] and the derived protein sequence for PRO245.

The entire nucleotide sequence of UNQ219 (DNA35638-1141) is shown in Figure 23 (SEQ ID NO:63).
25 Clone UNQ219 (DNA35638-1141) contains a single open reading frame with an apparent translational initiation site at nucleotide positions 89-91 and ending at the stop codon at nucleotide positions 1025-1027 (Fig. 23; SEQ ID NO:63). The predicted polypeptide precursor is 312 amino acids long (Fig. 24). Clone UNQ219 (DNA35638-1141) has been deposited with ATCC on September 16, 1997 and is assigned ATCC deposit no. ATCC 209265.

Analysis of the amino acid sequence of the full-length PRO245 suggests that a portion of it possesses 60%
30 amino acid identity with the human c-myc protein and, therefore, may be a new member of the transmembrane protein receptor tyrosine kinase family.

EXAMPLE 12: Isolation of cDNA Clones Encoding Human PRO220, PRO221 and PRO227

(a) PRO220

35 A consensus DNA sequence was assembled relative to the other identified EST sequences as described in Example 1 above, wherein the consensus sequence is designated herein as DNA28749. Based on the DNA28749 consensus sequence, oligonucleotides were synthesized to identify by PCR a cDNA library that contained the

sequence of interest and for use as probes to isolate a clone of the full-length coding sequence for PRO220.

A pair of PCR primers (forward and reverse) were synthesized:

forward PCR primer 5'-TCACCTGGAGCCTTTATTGGCC-3' (SEQ ID NO:74)

reverse PCR primer 5'-ATACCAGCTATAACCAGGCTGCG-3' (SEQ ID NO:75)

Additionally, a synthetic oligonucleotide hybridization probe was constructed from the consensus DNA28749 sequence which had the following nucleotide sequence:

hybridization probe

5'-CAACAGTAAGTGGTTTGATGCTCTTCCAAATCTAGAGATTCTGATGATTGGG-3' (SEQ ID NO:76).

In order to screen several libraries for a source of a full-length clone, DNA from the libraries was screened by PCR amplification with the PCR primer pair identified above. A positive library was then used to isolate clones encoding the PRO220 gene using the probe oligonucleotide and one of the PCR primers.

RNA for construction of the cDNA libraries was isolated from human fetal lung tissue. DNA sequencing of the clones isolated as described above gave the full-length DNA sequence for PRO220 [herein designated as UNQ194 (DNA32298-1132) and the derived protein sequence for PRO220.

The entire nucleotide sequence of UNQ194 (DNA32298-1132) is shown in Figure 25 (SEQ ID NO:68). Clone UNQ194 (DNA32298-1132) contains a single open reading frame with an apparent translational initiation site at nucleotide positions 480-482 and ending at the stop codon at nucleotide positions 2604-2606 (Figure 25). The predicted polypeptide precursor is 708 amino acids long (Figure 26). Clone UNQ194 (DNA32298-1132) has been deposited with ATCC and is assigned ATCC deposit no. ATCC 209257.

Analysis of the amino acid sequence of the full-length PRO220 shows it has homology to member of the leucine rich repeat protein superfamily, including the leucine rich repeat protein and the neuronal leucine-rich repeat protein 1.

(b) PRO221

A consensus DNA sequence was assembled relative to the other identified EST sequences as described in Example 1 above, wherein the consensus sequence is designated herein as DNA28756. Based on the DNA28756 consensus sequence, oligonucleotides were synthesized to identify by PCR a cDNA library that contained the sequence of interest and for use as probes to isolate a clone of the full-length coding sequence for PRO221.

A pair of PCR primers (forward and reverse) were synthesized:

forward PCR primer 5'-CCATGTGTCTCCTCCTACAAAG-3' (SEQ ID NO:77)

reverse PCR primer 5'-GGGAATAGATGTGATCTGATTGG-3' (SEQ ID NO:78)

Additionally, a synthetic oligonucleotide hybridization probe was constructed from the consensus DNA28756 sequence which had the following nucleotide sequence:

hybridization probe

5'-CACCTGTAGCAATGCAAATCTCAAGGAAATACCTAGAGATCTTCCTCCTG-3' (SEQ ID NO:79)

In order to screen several libraries for a source of a full-length clone, DNA from the libraries was screened by PCR amplification with the PCR primer pair identified above. A positive library was then used to isolate clones encoding the PRO221 gene using the probe oligonucleotide and one of the PCR primers.

RNA for construction of the cDNA libraries was isolated from human fetal lung tissue. DNA sequencing of the clones isolated as described above gave the full-length DNA sequence for PRO221 [herein designated as UNQ195 (DNA33089-1132)] and the derived protein sequence for PRO221.

The entire nucleotide sequence of UNQ195 (DNA33089-1132) is shown in Figure 27 (SEQ ID NO:70). Clone UNQ195 (DNA33089-1132) contains a single open reading frame with an apparent translational initiation site at nucleotide positions 179-181 and ending at the stop codon at nucleotide positions 956-958 (Figure 27). The predicted polypeptide precursor is 259 amino acids long (Figure 28). PRO221 is believed to have a transmembrane region at amino acids 206-225. Clone UNQ195 (DNA33089-1132) has been deposited with ATCC and is assigned ATCC deposit no. ATCC 209262.

Analysis of the amino acid sequence of the full-length PRO221 shows it has homology to member of the leucine rich repeat protein superfamily, including the SLIT protein.

(c) PRO227

A consensus DNA sequence was assembled relative to the other identified EST sequences as described in Example 1 above, wherein the consensus sequence is designated herein as DNA28740. Based on the DNA28740 consensus sequence, oligonucleotides were synthesized to identify by PCR a cDNA library that contained the sequence of interest and for use as probes to isolate a clone of the full-length coding sequence for PRO227.

A pair of PCR primers (forward and reverse) were synthesized:

forward PCR primer 5'-AGCAACCGCCTGAAGCTCATCC-3' (SEQ ID NO:80)

reverse PCR primer 5'-AAGGCGCGGTGAAAGATGTAGACG-3' (SEQ ID NO:81)

Additionally, a synthetic oligonucleotide hybridization probe was constructed from the consensus DNA28740 sequence which had the following nucleotide sequence:

hybridization probe

5'-GACTACATGTTTCAGGACCTGTACAACCTCAAGTCACTGGAGGTTGGCGA-3' (SEQ ID NO:82).

In order to screen several libraries for a source of a full-length clone, DNA from the libraries was screened by PCR amplification with the PCR primer pair identified above. A positive library was then used to isolate clones encoding the PRO227 gene using the probe oligonucleotide and one of the PCR primers.

RNA for construction of the cDNA libraries was isolated from human fetal lung tissue. DNA sequencing of the clones isolated as described above gave the full-length DNA sequence for PRO227 [herein designated as UNQ201 (DNA33786-1132)] and the derived protein sequence for PRO227.

The entire nucleotide sequence of UNQ201 (DNA33786-1132) is shown in Figure 29 (SEQ ID NO:72). Clone UNQ201 (DNA33786-1132) contains a single open reading frame with an apparent translational initiation site at nucleotide positions 117-119 and ending at the stop codon at nucleotide positions 1977-1979 (Figure 29). The predicted polypeptide precursor is 620 amino acids long (Figure 30). PRO227 is believed to have a transmembrane region. Clone UNQ201 (DNA33786-1132) has been deposited with ATCC and is assigned ATCC deposit no. ATCC 209253.

Analysis of the amino acid sequence of the full-length PRO221 shows it has homology to member of the leucine rich repeat protein superfamily, including the platelet glycoprotein V precursor and the human glycoprotein V.

EXAMPLE 13: Isolation of cDNA Clones Encoding Human PRO258

5 A consensus DNA sequence was assembled relative to other EST sequences using phrap as described in Example 1 above. This consensus sequence is herein designated DNA28746.

Based on the DNA28746 consensus sequence, oligonucleotides were synthesized: 1) to identify by PCR a cDNA library that contained the sequence of interest, and 2) for use as probes to isolate a clone of the full-length coding sequence for PRO258.

10 PCR primers (forward and reverse) were synthesized:

forward PCR primer 5'-GCTAGGAATTCCACAGAAGCCC-3' (SEQ ID NO:85)

reverse PCR primer 5'-AACCTGGAATGTCACCGAGCTG-3' (SEQ ID NO:86)

reverse PCR primer 5'-CCTAGCACAGTGACGAGGGACTTGGC-3' (SEQ ID NO:87)

Additionally, synthetic oligonucleotide hybridization probes were constructed from the consensus DNA28740
15 sequence which had the following nucleotide sequence:

hybridization probe

5'-AAGACACAGCCACCCTAAACTGTCAGTCTTCTGGGAGCAAGCCTGCAGCC-3' (SEQ ID NO:88)

5'-GCCCTGGCAGACGAGGGCGAGTACACCTGCTCAATCTTCACTATGCCTGT-3' (SEQ ID NO:89)

In order to screen several libraries for a source of a full-length clone, DNA from the libraries was screened
20 by PCR amplification with the PCR primer pair identified above. A positive library was then used to isolate clones encoding the PRO258 gene using the probe oligonucleotide and one of the PCR primers.

RNA for construction of the cDNA libraries was isolated from human fetal lung tissue. DNA sequencing
of the clones isolated as described above gave the full-length DNA sequence for PRO258 [herein designated as UNQ225 (DNA35918-1174)] (SEQ ID NO:83) and the derived protein sequence for PRO258.

25 The entire nucleotide sequence of UNQ225 (DNA35918-1174) is shown in Figure 31 (SEQ ID NO:83). Clone UNQ225 (DNA35918-1174) contains a single open reading frame with an apparent translational initiation site at nucleotide positions 147-149 of SEQ ID NO:83 and ending at the stop codon after nucleotide position 1340 of SEQ ID NO:83 (Figure 31). The predicted polypeptide precursor is 398 amino acids long (Figure 32). Clone UNQ225 (DNA35918-1174) has been deposited with ATCC and is assigned ATCC deposit no. ATCC 209402.

30 Analysis of the amino acid sequence of the full-length PRO258 polypeptide suggests that portions of it possess significant homology to the CRTAM and the poliovirus receptor and have an Ig domain, thereby indicating that PRO258 is a new member of the Ig superfamily.

EXAMPLE 14: Isolation of cDNA Clones Encoding Human PRO266

35 An expressed sequence tag database was searched for ESTs having homology to SLIT, resulting in the identification of a single EST sequence designated herein as T73996. Based on the T73996 EST sequence, oligonucleotides were synthesized: 1) to identify by PCR a cDNA library that contained the sequence of interest, and

2) for use as probes to isolate a clone of the full-length coding sequence for PRO266.

A pair of PCR primers (forward and reverse) were synthesized.

forward PCR primer 5'-GTTGGATCTGGGCAACAATAAC-3' (SEQ ID NO:92)

reverse PCR primer 5'-ATTGTTGTGCAGGCTGAGTTTAAG-3' (SEQ ID NO:93)

Additionally, a synthetic oligonucleotide hybridization probe was constructed which had the following nucleotide sequence

hybridization probe

5'-GGTGGCTATACATGGATAGCAATTACCTGGACACGCTGTCCCGGG-3' (SEQ ID NO:94)

In order to screen several libraries for a source of a full-length clone, DNA from the libraries was screened by PCR amplification with the PCR primer pair identified above. A positive library was then used to isolate clones encoding the PRO266 gene using the probe oligonucleotide and one of the PCR primers.

RNA for construction of the cDNA libraries was isolated from human fetal brain tissue. DNA sequencing of the clones isolated as described above gave the full-length DNA sequence for PRO266 [herein designated as UNQ233 (DNA37150-1178)] (SEQ ID NO:90) and the derived protein sequence for PRO266.

The entire nucleotide sequence of UNQ233 (DNA37150-1178) is shown in Figure 33 (SEQ ID NO:90). Clone UNQ233 (DNA37150-1178) contains a single open reading frame with an apparent translational initiation site at nucleotide positions 167-169 and ending at the stop codon after nucleotide position 2254 of SEQ ID NO:90. The predicted polypeptide precursor is 696 amino acids long (Figure 34). Clone UNQ233 (DNA37150-1178) has been deposited with ATCC and is assigned ATCC deposit no. ATCC 209401.

Analysis of the amino acid sequence of the full-length PRO266 polypeptide suggests that portions of it possess significant homology to the SLIT protein, thereby indicating that PRO266 may be a novel leucine rich repeat protein.

EXAMPLE 15: Isolation of cDNA Clones Encoding Human PRO269

A consensus DNA sequence was assembled relative to other EST sequences using phrap as described in Example 1 above. This consensus sequence is herein designated DNA35705. Based on the DNA35705 consensus sequence, oligonucleotides were synthesized: 1) to identify by PCR a cDNA library that contained the sequence of interest, and 2) for use as probes to isolate a clone of the full-length coding sequence for PRO269.

Forward and reverse PCR primers were synthesized:

forward PCR primer (.f1) 5'-TGGAAGGAGATGCGATGCCACCTG-3' (SEQ ID NO:97)

forward PCR primer (.f2) 5'-TGACCAGTGGGGAAGGACAG-3' (SEQ ID NO:98)

forward PCR primer (.f3) 5'-ACAGAGCAGAGGGTGCCTTG-3' (SEQ ID NO:99)

reverse PCR primer (.r1) 5'-TCAGGGACAAGTGGTGTCTCTCCC-3' (SEQ ID NO:100)

reverse PCR primer (.r2) 5'-TCAGGGAAGGAGTGTGCAGTTCTG-3' (SEQ ID NO:101)

Additionally, a synthetic oligonucleotide hybridization probe was constructed from the consensus DNA35705 sequence which had the following nucleotide sequence:

hybridization probe

5'-ACAGCTCCCGATCTCAGTTACTTGCATCGCGGACGAAATCGGCGCTCGCT-3' (SEQ ID NO:102)

In order to screen several libraries for a source of a full-length clone, DNA from the libraries was screened by PCR amplification with the PCR primer pairs identified above. A positive library was then used to isolate clones encoding the PRO269 gene using the probe oligonucleotide and one of the PCR primers.

RNA for construction of the cDNA libraries was isolated from human fetal kidney tissue.

DNA sequencing of the clones isolated as described above gave the full-length DNA sequence for PRO269 [herein designated as UNQ236 (DNA38260-1180)] (SEQ ID NO:95) and the derived protein sequence for PRO269.

The entire nucleotide sequence of UNQ236 (DNA38260-1180) is shown in Figure 35 (SEQ ID NO:95). Clone UNQ236 (DNA38260-1180) contains a single open reading frame with an apparent translational initiation site at nucleotide positions 314-316 and ending at the stop codon at nucleotide positions 1784-1786 (Fig. 35; SEQ ID NO:95). The predicted polypeptide precursor is 490 amino acids long (Fig. 36). Clone UNQ236 (DNA38260-1180) has been deposited with ATCC and is assigned ATCC deposit no. ATCC 209397.

Analysis of the amino acid sequence of the full-length PRO269 suggests that portions of it possess significant homology to the human thrombomodulin proteins, thereby indicating that PRO269 may possess one or more thrombomodulin-like domains.

EXAMPLE 16: Isolation of cDNA Clones Encoding Human PRO287

A consensus DNA sequence encoding PRO287 was assembled relative to the other identified EST sequences as described in Example 1 above, wherein the consensus sequence is designated herein as DNA28728. Based on the DNA28728 consensus sequence, oligonucleotides were synthesized to identify by PCR a cDNA library that contained the sequence of interest and for use as probes to isolate a clone of the full-length coding sequence for PRO287.

A pair of PCR primers (forward and reverse) were synthesized:

forward PCR primer 5'-CCGATTCATAGACCTCGAGAGT-3' (SEQ ID NO:105)
reverse PCR primer 5'-GTCAAGGAGTCCTCCACAATAC-3' (SEQ ID NO:106)

Additionally, a synthetic oligonucleotide hybridization probe was constructed from the consensus DNA28728 sequence which had the following nucleotide sequence

hybridization probe

5'-GTGTACAATGGCCATGCCAATGGCCAGCGCATTGGCCGCTTCTGT-3' (SEQ ID NO:107)

In order to screen several libraries for a source of a full-length clone, DNA from the libraries was screened by PCR amplification with the PCR primer pair identified above. A positive library was then used to isolate clones encoding the PRO287 gene using the probe oligonucleotide and one of the PCR primers.

RNA for construction of the cDNA libraries was isolated from human fetal kidney tissue.

DNA sequencing of the clones isolated as described above gave the full-length DNA sequence for PRO287 [herein designated as UNQ250 (DNA39969-1185), SEQ ID NO:103] and the derived protein sequence for PRO287.

The entire nucleotide sequence of UNQ250 (DNA39969-1185) is shown in Figure 37 (SEQ ID NO:103). Clone UNQ250 (DNA39969-1185) contains a single open reading frame with an apparent translational initiation site at nucleotide positions 307-309 and ending at the stop codon at nucleotide positions 1552-1554 (Fig. 37; SEQ ID NO:103). The predicted polypeptide precursor is 415 amino acids long (Fig. 38). Clone UNQ250 (DNA39969-1185) has been deposited with ATCC and is assigned ATCC deposit no. ATCC 209400.

Analysis of the amino acid sequence of the full-length PRO287 suggests that it may possess one or more procollagen C-proteinase enhancer protein precursor or procollagen C-proteinase enhancer protein-like domains. Based on a BLAST and FastA sequence alignment analysis of the full-length sequence, PRO287 shows nucleic acid sequence identity to procollagen C-proteinase enhancer protein precursor and procollagen C-proteinase enhancer protein (47 and 54 %, respectively).

EXAMPLE 17: Isolation of cDNA Clones Encoding Human PRO214

A consensus DNA sequence was assembled using phrap as described in Example 1 above. This consensus DNA sequence is designated herein as DNA28744. Based on this consensus sequence, oligonucleotides were synthesized: 1) to identify by PCR a cDNA library that contained the sequence of interest, and 2) for use as probes to isolate a clone of the full-length coding sequence.

In order to screen several libraries for a source of a full-length clone, DNA from the libraries was screened by PCR amplification with the PCR primer pair identified below. A positive library was then used to isolate clones encoding the PRO214 gene using the probe oligonucleotide and one of the PCR primers.

RNA for construction of the cDNA libraries was isolated from human fetal lung tissue. A cDNA clone was sequenced in its entirety. The full length nucleotide sequence of DNA32286-1191 is shown in Figure 39 (SEQ ID NO:108). DNA32286-1191 contains a single open reading frame with an apparent translational initiation site at nucleotide position 103 (Fig. 39; SEQ ID NO:108). The predicted polypeptide precursor is 420 amino acids long (SEQ ID NO:109).

Based on a BLAST and FastA sequence alignment analysis of the full-length sequence, PRO214 polypeptide shows amino acid sequence identity to HT protein and/or Fibulin (49 % and 38 %, respectively).

The oligonucleotide sequences used in the above procedure were the following:

28744.p (OLI555)

5'-CCTGGCTATCAGCAGGTGGGCTCCAAGTGTCTCGATGTGGATGAGTGTGA-3' (SEQ ID NO:110)

28744.f (OLI556)

5'-ATTCTGCGTGAACACTGAGGGC-3' (SEQ ID NO:111)

28744.r (OLI557)

5'-ATCTGCTGTAGCCCTCGGCAC-3' (SEQ ID NO:112)

EXAMPLE 18: Isolation of cDNA Clones Encoding Human PRO317

A consensus DNA sequence was assembled using phrap as described in Example 1 above, wherein the consensus sequence is herein designated as DNA28722. Based on this consensus sequence, oligonucleotides were synthesized: 1) to identify by PCR a cDNA library that contained the sequence of interest, and 2) for use as probes

to isolate a clone of the full-length coding sequence. The forward and reverse PCR primers, respectively, synthesized for this purpose were:

5'-AGGACTGCCATAACTTGCCTG (OLI489) (SEQ ID NO:115) and

5'-ATAGGAGTTGAAGCAGCGCTGC (OLI490) (SEQ ID NO:116).

The probe synthesized for this purpose was:

5 5'-TGTGTGGACATAGACGAGTGCCGCTACCGCTACTGCCAGCACCGC (OLI488) (SEQ ID NO:117)

mRNA for construction of the cDNA libraries was isolated from human fetal kidney tissue.

In order to screen several libraries for a source of a full-length clone, DNA from the libraries was screened by PCR amplification, as per Ausubel *et al.*, *Current Protocols in Molecular Biology* (1989), with the PCR primer pair identified above. A positive library was then used to isolate clones containing the PRO317 gene using the probe

10 oligonucleotide identified above and one of the PCR primers.

A cDNA clone was sequenced in its entirety. The entire nucleotide sequence of DNA33461-1199 (encoding PRO317) is shown in Figure 41 (SEQ ID NO:113). Clone DNA33461-1199 contains a single open reading frame with an apparent translational initiation site at nucleotide positions 68-70 (Fig. 41; SEQ ID NO:113). The predicted polypeptide precursor is 366 amino acids long. The predicted signal sequence is amino acids 1-18 of Figure 42 (SEQ

15 ID NO:114). There is one predicted N-linked glycosylation site at amino acid residue 160. Clone DNA33461-1199 has been deposited with ATCC and is assigned ATCC deposit no. ATCC 209367.

Based on BLAST™ and FastA™ sequence alignment analysis (using the ALIGN™ computer program) of the full-length PRO317 sequence, PRO317 shows the most amino acid sequence identity to EBAF-1 (92%). The results also demonstrate a significant homology between human PRO317 and mouse LEFTY protein. The C-terminal

20 end of the PRO317 protein contains many conserved sequences consistent with the pattern expected of a member of the TGF- superfamily.

In situ expression analysis in human tissues performed as described below evidences that there is distinctly strong expression of the PRO317 polypeptide in pancreatic tissue.

25 EXAMPLE 19: Isolation of cDNA clones Encoding Human PRO301

A consensus DNA sequence designated herein as DNA35936 was assembled using phrap as described in Example 1 above. Based on this consensus sequence, oligonucleotides were synthesized: 1) to identify by PCR a cDNA library that contained the sequence of interest, and 2) for use as probes to isolate a clone of the full-length coding sequence.

30 In order to screen several libraries for a source of a full-length clone, DNA from the libraries was screened by PCR amplification with the PCR primer pair identified below. A positive library was then used to isolate clones encoding the PRO301 gene using the probe oligonucleotide and one of the PCR primers.

RNA for construction of the cDNA libraries was isolated from human fetal kidney.

35 A cDNA clone was sequenced in its entirety. The full length nucleotide sequence of native sequence PRO301 is shown in Figure 43 (SEQ ID NO:118). Clone DNA40628-1216 contains a single open reading frame with an apparent translational initiation site at nucleotide positions 52-54 (Fig. 43; SEQ ID NO:118). The predicted polypeptide precursor is 299 amino acids long with a predicted molecular weight of 32,583 daltons and pI of 8.29.

Clone DNA40628-1216 has been deposited with ATCC and is assigned ATCC deposit No. ATCC 209432.

Based on a BLAST and FastA sequence alignment analysis of the full-length sequence, PRO301 shows amino acid sequence identity to A33 antigen precursor (30%) and coxsackie and adenovirus receptor protein (29%).

The oligonucleotide sequences used in the above procedure were the following:

- 5 OLI2162 (35936.f1) 5'-TCGCGGAGCTGTGTTCTGTTTCCC-3' (SEQ ID NO:120)
OLI2163 (35936.p1)
5'-TGATCGCGATGGGGACAAAGGCGCAAGCTCGAGAGGAACTGTTGTCCT-3' (SEQ ID NO:121)
OLI2164 (35936.f2)
5'-ACACCTGGTTCAAAGATGGG-3' (SEQ ID NO:122)
- 10 OLI2165 (35936.r1)
5'-TAGGAAGAGTTGCTGAAGGCACGG-3' (SEQ ID NO:123)
OLI2166 (35936.f3)
5'-TTGCCTTACTCAGGTGCTAC-3' (SEQ ID NO:124)
OLI2167 (35936.r2)
- 15 5'-ACTCAGCAGTGGTAGGAAAG-3' (SEQ ID NO:125)

EXAMPLE 20: Isolation of cDNA Clones Encoding Human PRO224

- A consensus DNA sequence assembled relative to the other identified EST sequences as described in Example 1, wherein the consensus sequence is designated herein as DNA30845. Based on the DNA30845 consensus sequence, oligonucleotides were synthesized to identify by PCR a cDNA library that contained the sequence of interest and for use as probes to isolate a clone of the full-length coding sequence for PRO224.

A pair of PCR primers (forward and reverse) were synthesized:

forward PCR primer 5'-AAGTTCCAGTGCCGACCAAGTGGC-3' (SEQ ID NO:128)

reverse PCR primer 5'-TTGGTTCACAGCCGAGCTCGTCG-3' (SEQ ID NO:129)

- 25 Additionally, a synthetic oligonucleotide hybridization probe was constructed from the consensus DNA30845 sequence which had the following nucleotide sequence

hybridization probe

5-GAGGAGGAGTGCAAGATTGAGCCATGTACCCAGAAAGGGCAATGCCACC-3' (SEQ ID NO:130)

- 30 In order to screen several libraries for a source of a full-length clone, DNA from the libraries was screened by PCR amplification with the PCR primer pair identified above. A positive library was then used to isolate clones encoding the PRO224 gene using the probe oligonucleotide and one of the PCR primers.

RNA for construction of the cDNA libraries was isolated from human fetal liver tissue. DNA sequencing of the clones isolated as described above gave the full-length DNA sequence for PRO224 [herein designated as UNQ198 (DNA33221-1133)] and the derived protein sequence for PRO224.

- 35 The entire nucleotide sequence of UNQ198 (DNA33221-1133) is shown in Figure 45 (SEQ ID NO:126). Clone UNQ198 (DNA33221-1133) contains a single open reading frame with an apparent translational initiation site at nucleotide positions 96-98 and ending at the stop codon at nucleotide positions 942-944 (Figure 45; SEQ ID NO:126). The start of a transmembrane region begins at nucleotide position 777. The predicted polypeptide precursor is 282 amino acids long (Figure 46). Clone UNQ198 (DNA33221-1133) has been deposited with ATCC and is assigned ATCC deposit no. ATCC 209263.

Analysis of the amino acid sequence of the full-length PRO224 suggests that it has homology to very low-

density lipoprotein receptors, apolipoprotein E receptor and chicken oocyte receptors P95. Based on a BLAST and FastA sequence alignment analysis of the full-length sequence, PRO224 has amino acid identity to portions of these proteins in the range from 28% to 45%, and overall identity with these proteins in the range from 33% to 39%.

EXAMPLE 21: Isolation of cDNA Clones Encoding Human PRO222

5 A consensus DNA sequence was assembled relative to the other identified EST sequences as described in Example 1 above, wherein the consensus sequence is designated herein as DNA28771. Based on the DNA28771 consensus sequence, oligonucleotides were synthesized to identify by PCR a cDNA library that contained the sequence of interest and for use as probes to isolate a clone of the full-length coding sequence for PRO222.

A pair of PCR primers (forward and reverse) were synthesized:

10 forward PCR primer 5'-ATCTCCTATCGCTGCTTTCCCGG-3' (SEQ ID NO:133)

reverse PCR primer 5'-AGCCAGGATCGCAGTAAACTCC-3' (SEQ ID NO:134)

Additionally, a synthetic oligonucleotide hybridization probe was constructed from the consensus DNA28771 sequence which had the following nucleotide sequence:

hybridization probe

15 5'-ATTTAAACTTGATGGGTCTGCGTATCTTGAGTGCTTACAAAACCTTATCT-3' (SEQ ID NO:135)

In order to screen several libraries for a source of a full-length clone, DNA from the libraries was screened by PCR amplification with the PCR primer pair identified above. A positive library was then used to isolate clones encoding the PRO222 gene using the probe oligonucleotide and one of the PCR primers.

RNA for construction of the cDNA libraries was isolated from human fetal kidney tissue.

20 DNA sequencing of the clones isolated as described above gave the full-length DNA sequence for PRO222 [herein designated as UNQ196 (DNA33107-1135)] and the derived protein sequence for PRO222.

The entire nucleotide sequence of UNQ196 (DNA33107-1135) is shown in Figure 47 (SEQ ID NO:131). Clone UNQ196 (DNA33107-1135) contains a single open reading frame with an apparent translational initiation site at nucleotide positions 159-161 and ending at the stop codon at nucleotide positions 1629-1631 (Fig. 47; SEQ ID NO:131). The predicted polypeptide precursor is 490 amino acids long (Fig. 48). Clone UNQ196 (DNA33107-1135) has been deposited with ATCC and is assigned ATCC deposit no. ATCC 209251.

25 Based on a BLAST and FastA sequence alignment analysis of the full-length sequence, PRO222 shows amino acid sequence identity to mouse complement factor h precursor (25-26%), complement receptor (27-29%), mouse complement C3b receptor type 2 long form precursor (25-47%) and
30 human hypothetical protein kiaa0247 (40%).

EXAMPLE 22: Isolation of cDNA clones Encoding PRO234

A consensus DNA sequence was assembled (DNA30926) using phrap as described in Example 1 above. Based on this consensus sequence, oligonucleotides were synthesized: 1) to identify by PCR a cDNA library that
35 contained the sequence of interest, and 2) for use as probes to isolate a clone of the full-length coding sequence.

RNA for the construction of the cDNA libraries was isolated using standard isolation protocols, e.g., Ausubel *et al.*, *Current Protocols in Molecular Biology*, from tissue or cell line sources or it was purchased from

commercial sources (e.g., Clontech). The cDNA libraries used to isolate the cDNA clones were constructed by standard methods (e.g., Ausubel *et al.*) using commercially available reagents (e.g., Invitrogen). This library was derived from 22 week old fetal brain tissue.

A cDNA clone was sequenced in its entirety. The entire nucleotide sequence of PRO234 is shown in Figure 49 (SEQ ID NO:136). The predicted polypeptide precursor is 382 amino acids long and has a calculated molecular weight of approximately 43.1 kDa.

The oligonucleotide sequences used in the above procedure were the following:

30926.p (OLI826) (SEQ ID NO:138): 5'-GTTTCATTGAAAACCTCTTGCCATCT

GATGGTGACTTCTGGATTGGGCTCA-3'

30926.f (OLI827) (SEQ ID NO:139): 5'-AAGCCAAAGAAGCCTGCAGGAGGG-3'

10 30926.r (OLI828) (SEQ ID NO:140): 5'-CAGTCCAAGCATAAAGGTCCTGGC-3'

EXAMPLE 23: Isolation of cDNA Clones Encoding Human PRO231

A consensus DNA sequence was assembled relative to the other identified EST sequences as described in Example 1 above, wherein the consensus sequence was designated herein as DNA30933. Based on the DNA30933 consensus sequence, oligonucleotides were synthesized to identify by PCR a cDNA library that contained the sequence of interest and for use as probes to isolate a clone of the full-length coding sequence for PRO231.

Three PCR primers (two forward and one reverse) were synthesized:

forward PCR primer 1 5'-CCAACTACCAAAGCTGCTGGAGCC-3' (SEQ ID NO:143)

forward PCR primer 2 5'-GCAGCTCTATTACCACGGGAAGGA-3' (SEQ ID NO:144)

20 reverse PCR primer 5'-TCCTTCCCGTGGTAATAGAGCTGC-3' (SEQ ID NO:145)

Additionally, a synthetic oligonucleotide hybridization probe was constructed from the consensus DNA30933 sequence which had the following nucleotide sequence

hybridization probe

5'-GGCAGAGAACCAGAGGCCGGAGGAGACTGCCTCTTTACAGCCAGG-3' (SEQ ID NO:146)

25 In order to screen several libraries for a source of a full-length clone, DNA from the libraries was screened by PCR amplification with the PCR primer pairs identified above. A positive library was then used to isolate clones encoding the PRO231 gene using the probe oligonucleotide and one of the PCR primers.

RNA for construction of the cDNA libraries was isolated from human fetal liver tissue. DNA sequencing of the clones isolated as described above gave the full-length DNA sequence for PRO231 [herein designated as UNQ205 (DNA34434-1139)] and the derived protein sequence for PRO231.

30 The entire nucleotide sequence of UNQ205 (DNA34434-1139) is shown in Figure 51 (SEQ ID NO:141). Clone UNQ205 (DNA34434-1139) contains a single open reading frame with an apparent translational initiation site at nucleotide positions 173-175 and ending at the stop codon at nucleotide positions 1457-1459 (Fig. 51; SEQ ID NO:141). The predicted polypeptide precursor is 428 amino acids long (Fig. 52). Clone UNQ205 (DNA34434-1139) has been deposited with ATCC on September 16, 1997 and is assigned ATCC deposit no. ATCC 209252.

35 Analysis of the amino acid sequence of the full-length PRO231 suggests that it possesses 30% and 31% amino acid identity with the human and rat prostatic acid phosphatase precursor proteins, respectively.

EXAMPLE 24: Isolation of cDNA Clones Encoding Human PRO229

A consensus DNA sequence was assembled relative to other EST sequences using phrap as described in Example 1 above. This consensus sequence is herein designated DNA28762. Based on the DNA28762 consensus sequence, oligonucleotides were synthesized: 1) to identify by PCR a cDNA library that contained the sequence of interest, and 2) for use as probes to isolate a clone of the full-length coding sequence for PRO229.

A pair of PCR primers (forward and reverse) were synthesized:

forward PCR primer 5'-TTCAGCTCATCACCTTCACCTGCC-3' (SEQ ID NO:149)

reverse PCR primer 5'-GGCTCATACAAAATACCACTAGGG-3' (SEQ ID NO:150)

Additionally, a synthetic oligonucleotide hybridization probe was constructed from the consensus DNA28762 sequence which had the following nucleotide sequence

hybridization probe

5'-GGGCCTCCACCGCTGTGAAGGGCGGGTGGAGGTGGAACAGAAAGGCCAGT-3' (SEQ ID NO:151)

In order to screen several libraries for a source of a full-length clone, DNA from the libraries was screened by PCR amplification with the PCR primer pair identified above. A positive library was then used to isolate clones encoding the PRO229 gene using the probe oligonucleotide and one of the PCR primers.

RNA for construction of the cDNA libraries was isolated from human fetal liver tissue. DNA sequencing of the clones isolated as described above gave the full-length DNA sequence for PRO229 [herein designated as UNQ203 (DNA33100-1159)] (SEQ ID NO:147) and the derived protein sequence for PRO229.

The entire nucleotide sequence of UNQ203 (DNA33100-1159) is shown in Figure 53 (SEQ ID NO:147). Clone UNQ203 (DNA33100-1159) contains a single open reading frame with an apparent translational initiation site at nucleotide positions 98-100 and ending at the stop codon at nucleotide positions 1139-1141 (Figure 53). The predicted polypeptide precursor is 347 amino acids long (Figure 54). Clone UNQ203 (DNA33100-1159) has been deposited with ATCC and is assigned ATCC deposit no. ATCC 209377

Analysis of the amino acid sequence of the full-length PRO229 polypeptide suggests that portions of it possess significant homology to antigen wcl.1, M130 antigen and CD6.

EXAMPLE 25: Isolation of cDNA Clones Encoding Human PRO238

A consensus DNA sequence was assembled relative to other EST sequences using phrap as described above in Example 1. This consensus sequence is herein designated DNA30908. Based on the DNA30908 consensus sequence, oligonucleotides were synthesized: 1) to identify by PCR a cDNA library that contained the sequence of interest, and 2) for use as probes to isolate a clone of the full-length coding sequence for PRO238.

PCR primers (forward and reverse) were synthesized:

forward PCR primer 1 5'-GGTGCTAAACTGGTGCTCTGTGGC-3' (SEQ ID NO:154)

forward PCR primer 2 5'-CAGGGCAAGATGAGCATTCC-3' (SEQ ID NO:155)

reverse PCR primer 5'-TCATACTGTTCCATCTCGGCACGC-3' (SEQ ID NO:156)

Additionally, a synthetic oligonucleotide hybridization probe was constructed from the consensus DNA30908 sequence which had the following nucleotide sequence

hybridization probe

5'-AATGGTGGGGCCCTAGAAGAGCTCATCAGAGAACTCACCGCTTCTCATGC-3' (SEQ ID NO:157)

In order to screen several libraries for a source of a full-length clone, DNA from the libraries was screened by PCR amplification with the PCR primer pair identified above. A positive library was then used to isolate clones encoding the PRO238 gene using the probe oligonucleotide and one of the PCR primers.

RNA for construction of the cDNA libraries was isolated from human fetal liver tissue. DNA sequencing of the clones isolated as described above gave the full-length DNA sequence for PRO238 and the derived protein sequence for PRO238.

The entire nucleotide sequence of DNA35600-1162 is shown in Figure 55 (SEQ ID NO:152). Clone DNA35600-1162 contains a single open reading frame with an apparent translational initiation site at nucleotide positions 134-136 and ending prior to the stop codon at nucleotide positions 1064-1066 (Figure 55). The predicted polypeptide precursor is 310 amino acids long (Figure 56). Clone DNA35600-1162 has been deposited with ATCC and is assigned ATCC deposit no. ATCC 209370.

Analysis of the amino acid sequence of the full-length PRO238 polypeptide suggests that portions of it possess significant homology to reductase, particularly oxidoreductase, thereby indicating that PRO238 may be a novel reductase.

EXAMPLE 26: Isolation of cDNA Clones Encoding Human PRO233

The extracellular domain (ECD) sequences (including the secretion signal, if any) of from about 950 known secreted proteins from the Swiss-Prot public protein database were used to search expressed sequence tag (EST) databases. The EST databases included public EST databases (e.g., GenBank) and a proprietary EST DNA database (LIFESEQ™, Incyte Pharmaceuticals, Palo Alto, CA). The search was performed using the computer program BLAST or BLAST2 (Altschul et al., *Methods in Enzymology* 256:460-480 (1996)) as a comparison of the ECD protein sequences to a 6 frame translation of the EST sequence. Those comparisons resulting in a BLAST score of 70 (or in some cases 90) or greater that did not encode known proteins were clustered and assembled into consensus DNA sequences with the program "phrap" (Phil Green, University of Washington, Seattle, Washington; <http://bozeman.mbt.washington.edu/phrap.docs/phrap.html>).

An expressed sequence tag (EST) was identified by the EST database search and a consensus DNA sequence was assembled relative to other EST sequences using phrap. This consensus sequence is herein designated DNA30945. Based on the DNA30945 consensus sequence, oligonucleotides were synthesized: 1) to identify by PCR a cDNA library that contained the sequence of interest, and 2) for use as probes to isolate a clone of the full-length coding sequence for PRO233.

Forward and reverse PCR primers were synthesized:

forward PCR primer 5'-GGTGAAGGCAGAAATTGGAGATG-3' (SEQ ID NO:160)

reverse PCR primer 5'-ATCCCATGCATCAGCCTGTTTACC-3' (SEQ ID NO:161)

Additionally, a synthetic oligonucleotide hybridization probe was constructed from the consensus DNA30945 sequence which had the following nucleotide sequence

hybridization probe

5'-GCTGGTGTAGTCTATACATCAGATTTGTTTGCTACACAAGATCCTCAG-3'
(SEQ ID NO:162)

In order to screen several libraries for a source of a full-length clone, DNA from the libraries was screened by PCR amplification with the PCR primer pair identified above. A positive library was then used to isolate clones encoding the PRO233 gene using the probe oligonucleotide.

RNA for construction of the cDNA libraries was isolated from human fetal brain tissue. DNA sequencing of the clones isolated as described above gave the full-length DNA sequence for PRO233 [herein designated as UNQ207 (DNA34436-1238)] (SEQ ID NO:158) and the derived protein sequence for PRO233.

The entire nucleotide sequence of UNQ207 (DNA34436-1238) is shown in Figure 57 (SEQ ID NO:158). Clone UNQ207 (DNA34436-1238) contains a single open reading frame with an apparent translational initiation site at nucleotide positions 101-103 and ending at the stop codon at nucleotide positions 1001-1003 (Figure 57). The predicted polypeptide precursor is 300 amino acids long (Figure 58). The full-length PRO233 protein shown in Figure 58 has an estimated molecular weight of about 32,964 daltons and a pI of about 9.52. Clone UNQ207 (DNA34436-1238) has been deposited with ATCC and is assigned ATCC deposit no. ATCC 209523.

Analysis of the amino acid sequence of the full-length PRO233 polypeptide suggests that portions of it possess significant homology to reductase proteins, thereby indicating that PRO233 may be a novel reductase.

EXAMPLE 27: Isolation of cDNA Clones Encoding Human PRO223

A consensus DNA sequence was assembled relative to other EST sequences using phrap as described in Example 1 above. This consensus sequence is herein designated DNA30836. Based on the DNA30836 consensus sequence, oligonucleotides were synthesized: 1) to identify by PCR a cDNA library that contained the sequence of interest, and 2) for use as probes to isolate a clone of the full-length coding sequence for PRO223.

PCR primer pairs (one forward and two reverse) were synthesized:

forward PCR primer 5'-TTCCATGCCACCTAAGGGAGACTC-3' (SEQ ID NO:165)

reverse PCR primer 1 5'-TGGATGAGGTGTGCAATGGCTGGC-3' (SEQ ID NO:166)

reverse PCR primer 2 5'-AGCTCTCAGAGGCTGGTCATAGGG-3' (SEQ ID NO:167)

Additionally, a synthetic oligonucleotide hybridization probe was constructed from the consensus DNA30836 sequence which had the following nucleotide sequence

hybridization probe

5'-GTCGGCCCTTTCCCAGGACTGAACATGAAGAGTTATGCCGGCTTCCTCAC-3' (SEQ ID NO:168)

In order to screen several libraries for a source of a full-length clone, DNA from the libraries was screened by PCR amplification with the PCR primer pair identified above. A positive library was then used to isolate clones encoding the PRO223 gene using the probe oligonucleotide and one of the PCR primers.

RNA for construction of the cDNA libraries was isolated from human fetal liver tissue. DNA sequencing of the clones isolated as described above gave the full-length DNA sequence for PRO223 [herein designated as UNQ197 (DNA33206-1165)] (SEQ ID NO:163) and the derived protein sequence for PRO223.

The entire nucleotide sequence of UNQ197 (DNA33206-1165) is shown in Figure 59 (SEQ ID NO:163). Clone UNQ197 (DNA33206-1165) contains a single open reading frame with an apparent translational initiation site at nucleotide positions 97-99 and ending at the stop codon at nucleotide positions 1525-1527 (Figure 59). The predicted polypeptide precursor is 476 amino acids long (Figure 60). Clone UNQ197 (DNA33206-1165) has been deposited with ATCC and is assigned ATCC deposit no. ATCC 209372.

- 5 Analysis of the amino acid sequence of the full-length PRO223 polypeptide suggests that it possesses significant homology to various serine carboxypeptidase proteins, thereby indicating that PRO223 may be a novel serine carboxypeptidase.

EXAMPLE 28: Isolation of cDNA Clones Encoding Human PRO235

- 10 A consensus DNA sequence was assembled relative to other EST sequences using phrap as described in Example 1 above. This consensus sequence is herein designated "DNA30927". Based on the DNA30927 consensus sequence, oligonucleotides were synthesized: 1) to identify by PCR a cDNA library that contained the sequence of interest, and 2) for use as probes to isolate a clone of the full-length coding sequence for PRO235.

A pair of PCR primers (forward and reverse) were synthesized:

- 15 forward PCR primer 5'-TGGAATACCGCCTCCTGCAG-3' (SEQ ID NO:171)
reverse PCR primer 5'-CTTCTGCCCTTTGGAGAAGATGGC-3' (SEQ ID NO:172)

Additionally, a synthetic oligonucleotide hybridization probe was constructed from the consensus DNA30927 sequence which had the following nucleotide sequence

hybridization probe

- 20 5'-GGACTCACTGGCCAGGCCTTCAATATCACCAGCCAGGACGAT-3' (SEQ ID NO:173)

In order to screen several libraries for a source of a full-length clone, DNA from the libraries was screened by PCR amplification with the PCR primer pair identified above. A positive library was then used to isolate clones encoding the PRO235 gene using the probe oligonucleotide and one of the PCR primers.

- 25 RNA for construction of the cDNA libraries was isolated from human fetal liver tissue. DNA sequencing of the clones isolated as described above gave the full-length DNA sequence for PRO235 [herein designated as UNQ209 (DNA35558-1167)] (SEQ ID NO:169) and the derived protein sequence for PRO235.

- The entire nucleotide sequence of UNQ209 (DNA35558-1167) is shown in Figure 61 (SEQ ID NO:169). Clone UNQ209 (DNA35558-1167) contains a single open reading frame with an apparent translational initiation site at nucleotide positions 667-669 and ending at the stop codon at nucleotide positions 2323-2325 (Figure 61). The predicted polypeptide precursor is 552 amino acids long (Figure 62). Clone UNQ209 (DNA35558-1167) has been deposited with ATCC and is assigned ATCC deposit no. 209374.

Analysis of the amino acid sequence of the full-length PRO235 polypeptide suggests that portions of it possess significant homology to the human, mouse and *Xenopus* plexin protein, thereby indicating that PRO235 may be a novel plexin protein.

EXAMPLE 29: Isolation of cDNA Clones Encoding Human PRO236 and Human PRO262

Consensus DNA sequences were assembled relative to other EST sequences using phrap as described in Example 1 above. These consensus sequences are herein designated DNA30901 and DNA30847. Based on the DNA30901 and DNA30847 consensus sequences, oligonucleotides were synthesized: 1) to identify by PCR a cDNA library that contained the sequence of interest, and 2) for use as probes to isolate a clone of the full-length coding sequence for PRO236 and PRO262, respectively.

Based upon the DNA30901 consensus sequence, a pair of PCR primers (forward and reverse) were synthesized:

forward PCR primer 5'-TGGCTACTCCAAGACCCTGGCATG-3' (SEQ ID NO:178)

reverse PCR primer 5'-TGGACAAATCCCCTTGCTCAGCCC-3' (SEQ ID NO:179)

Additionally, a synthetic oligonucleotide hybridization probe was constructed from the consensus DNA30901 sequence which had the following nucleotide sequence

hybridization probe

5'-GGGCTTCACCGAAGCAGTGGACCTTTATTTTGACCACCTGATGTCCAGGG-3' (SEQ ID NO:180)

Based upon the DNA30847 consensus sequence, a pair of PCR primers (forward and reverse) were synthesized:

forward PCR primer 5'-CCAGCTATGACTATGATGCACC-3' (SEQ ID NO:181)

reverse PCR primer 5'-TGGCACCCAGAATGGTGTGGCTC-3' (SEQ ID NO:182)

Additionally, a synthetic oligonucleotide hybridization probe was constructed from the consensus DNA30847 sequence which had the following nucleotide sequence

hybridization probe

5'-CGAGATGTCATCAGCAAGTCCAGGAAGTTCCTTTGGGACCTTTACCTCC-3' (SEQ ID NO:183)

In order to screen several libraries for a source of full-length clones, DNA from the libraries was screened by PCR amplification with the PCR primer pairs identified above. Positive libraries were then used to isolate clones encoding the PRO236 and PRO262 genes using the probe oligonucleotides and one of the PCR primers.

RNA for construction of the cDNA libraries was isolated from human fetal lung tissue for PRO236 and human fetal liver tissue for PRO262.

DNA sequencing of the clones isolated as described above gave the full-length DNA sequence for PRO236 [herein designated as UNQ210 (DNA35599-1168)] (SEQ ID NO:174), the derived protein sequence for PRO236, the full-length DNA sequence for PRO262 [herein designated as UNQ229 (DNA36992-1168)] (SEQ ID NO:176) and the derived protein sequence for PRO262.

The entire nucleotide sequence of UNQ210 (DNA35599-1168) is shown in Figure 63 (SEQ ID NO:174). Clone UNQ210 (DNA35599-1168) contains a single open reading frame with an apparent translational initiation site at nucleotide positions 69-71 and ending at the stop codon at nucleotide positions 1977-1979 (Figure 63). The predicted polypeptide precursor is 636 amino acids long (Figure 64). Clone UNQ210 (DNA35599-1168) has been deposited with ATCC and is assigned ATCC deposit no. ATCC 209373.

The entire nucleotide sequence of UNQ229 (DNA36992-1168) is shown in Figure 65 (SEQ ID NO:176). Clone UNQ229 (DNA36992-1168) contains a single open reading frame with an apparent translational initiation site

at nucleotide positions 240-242 and ending at the stop codon at nucleotide positions 2202-2204 (Figure 65). The predicted polypeptide precursor is 654 amino acids long (Figure 66). Clone UNQ229 (DNA36992-1168) has been deposited with ATCC and is assigned ATCC deposit no. ATCC 209382.

Analysis of the amino acid sequence of the full-length PRO236 and PRO262 polypeptides suggests that portions of those polypeptides possess significant homology to β -galactosidase proteins derived from various sources, thereby indicating that PRO236 and PRO262 may be novel β -galactosidase homologs.

EXAMPLE 30: Isolation of cDNA Clones Encoding Human PRO239

A consensus DNA sequence was assembled relative to other EST sequences using phrap as described in Example 1 above. This consensus sequence is herein designated DNA30909. Based on the DNA30909 consensus sequence, oligonucleotides were synthesized: 1) to identify by PCR a cDNA library that contained the sequence of interest, and 2) for use as probes to isolate a clone of the full-length coding sequence for PRO239.

A pair of PCR primers (forward and reverse) were synthesized:

forward PCR primer 5'-CCTCCCTCTATTACCCATGTC-3' (SEQ ID NO:186)

reverse PCR primer 5'-GACCAACTTTCTCTGGGAGTGAGG-3' (SEQ ID NO:187)

Additionally, a synthetic oligonucleotide hybridization probe was constructed from the consensus DNA30909 sequence which had the following nucleotide sequence

hybridization probe

5'-GTCACCTTTATTTCTCTAACAACAAGCTCGAATCCTTACCAGTGGCAG-3'
(SEQ ID NO:188)

In order to screen several libraries for a source of a full-length clone, DNA from the libraries was screened by PCR amplification with the PCR primer pair identified above. A positive library was then used to isolate clones encoding the PRO239 gene using the probe oligonucleotide and one of the PCR primers.

RNA for construction of the cDNA libraries was isolated from human fetal lung tissue. DNA sequencing of the clones isolated as described above gave the full-length DNA sequence for PRO239 [herein designated as UNQ213 (DNA34407-1169)] (SEQ ID NO:184) and the derived protein sequence for PRO239.

The entire nucleotide sequence of UNQ213 (DNA34407-1169) is shown in Figure 67 (SEQ ID NO:184). Clone UNQ213 (DNA34407-1169) contains a single open reading frame with an apparent translational initiation site at nucleotide positions 72-74 and ending at the stop codon at nucleotide positions 1575-1577 (Figure 67). The predicted polypeptide precursor is 501 amino acids long (Figure 68). Clone UNQ213 (DNA34407-1169) has been deposited with ATCC and is assigned ATCC deposit no. ATCC 209383.

Analysis of the amino acid sequence of the full-length PRO239 polypeptide suggests that portions of it possess significant homology to the densin protein, thereby indicating that PRO239 may be a novel molecule in the densin family.

EXAMPLE 31: Isolation of cDNA Clones Encoding Human PRO257

A consensus DNA sequence was assembled relative to other EST sequences using phrap as described in Example 1 above. This consensus sequence is herein designated DNA28731. Based on the DNA28731 consensus

sequence, oligonucleotides were synthesized: 1) to identify by PCR a cDNA library that contained the sequence of interest, and 2) for use as probes to isolate a clone of the full-length coding sequence for PRO257.

A pair of PCR primers (forward and reverse) were synthesized:

forward PCR primer 5'-TCTCTATTCCAACTGTGGCG-3' (SEQ ID NO:191)

reverse PCR primer 5'-TTTGATGACGATTCTGAAGGTGG-3' (SEQ ID NO:192)

- 5 Additionally, a synthetic oligonucleotide hybridization probe was constructed from the consensus DNA28731 sequence which had the following nucleotide sequence

hybridization probe

5'-GGAAGGATCCTTCACCAGCCCCAATTACCCAAAGCCGCATCCTGAGC-3' (SEQ ID NO:193)

- 10 In order to screen several libraries for a source of a full-length clone, DNA from the libraries was screened by PCR amplification with the PCR primer pair identified above. A positive library was then used to isolate clones encoding the PRO257 gene using the probe oligonucleotide and one of the PCR primers.

RNA for construction of the cDNA libraries was isolated from human fetal kidney tissue.

DNA sequencing of the clones isolated as described above gave the full-length DNA sequence for PRO257 (herein designated as UNQ224 (DNA35841-1173) (SEQ ID NO:189) and the derived protein sequence for PRO257.

- 15 The entire nucleotide sequence of UNQ224 (DNA35841-1173) is shown in Figure 69 (SEQ ID NO:189). Clone UNQ224 (DNA35841-1173) contains a single open reading frame with an apparent translational initiation site at nucleotide positions 964-966 and ending at the stop codon at nucleotide positions 2785-2787 (Figure 69). The predicted polypeptide precursor is 607 amino acids long (Figure 70). Clone UNQ224 (DNA35841-1173) has been deposited with ATCC and is assigned ATCC deposit no. ATCC 209403.

- 20 Analysis of the amino acid sequence of the full-length PRO257 polypeptide suggests that portions of it possess significant homology to the ebnerin protein, thereby indicating that PRO257 may be a novel protein member related to the ebnerin protein.

EXAMPLE 32: Isolation of cDNA Clones Encoding Human PRO260

- 25 A consensus DNA sequence was assembled relative to other EST sequences using phrap as described in Example 1 above. This consensus sequence is herein designated DNA30834. Based on the DNA30834 consensus sequence, oligonucleotides were synthesized: 1) to identify by PCR a cDNA library that contained the sequence of interest, and 2) for use as probes to isolate a clone of the full-length coding sequence for PRO260.

PCR primers (forward and two reverse) were synthesized:

- 30 forward PCR primer: 5'-TGGTTTGACCAGGCCAAGTTCGG-3' (SEQ ID NO:196);

reverse PCR primer A: 5'-GGATTCATCCTCAAGGAAGAGCGG-3' (SEQ ID NO:197); and

reverse PCR primer B: 5'-AACTTGCAGCATCAGCCACTCTGC-3' (SEQ ID NO:198)

Additionally, a synthetic oligonucleotide hybridization probe was constructed from the consensus DNA30834 sequence which had the following nucleotide sequence:

- 35 hybridization probe:

5'-TTCCGTGCCCAGCTTCGGTAGCGAGTGGTTCTGGTGGTATTGGCA-3' (SEQ ID NO:199)

In order to screen several libraries for a source of a full-length clone, DNA from the libraries was screened by PCR amplification with the PCR primer pair identified above. A positive library was then used to isolate clones encoding the PRO260 gene using the probe oligonucleotide and one of the PCR primers.

RNA for construction of the cDNA libraries was isolated from human fetal kidney tissue.

DNA sequencing of the clones isolated as described above gave the full-length DNA sequence for PRO260 [herein designated as UNQ227 (DNA33470-1175)] (SEQ ID NO:194) and the derived protein sequence for PRO260.

The entire nucleotide sequence of UNQ227 (DNA33470-1175) is shown in Figure 71 (SEQ ID NO:194). Clone UNQ227 (DNA33470-1175) contains a single open reading frame with an apparent translational initiation site at nucleotide positions 67-69 and ending at the stop codon 1468-1470 (see Figure 71). The predicted polypeptide precursor is 467 amino acids long (Figure 72). Clone UNQ227 (DNA33470-1175) has been deposited with ATCC and is assigned ATCC deposit no. ATCC 209398.

Analysis of the amino acid sequence of the full-length PRO260 polypeptide suggests that portions of it possess significant homology to the alpha-L-fucosidase precursor, thereby indicating that PRO260 may be a novel fucosidase.

15 EXAMPLE 33: Isolation of cDNA Clones Encoding Human PRO263

A consensus DNA sequence was assembled relative to other EST sequences using phrap as described in Example 1 above. This consensus sequence is herein designated DNA30914. Based on the DNA30914 consensus sequence, oligonucleotides were synthesized: 1) to identify by PCR a cDNA library that contained the sequence of interest, and 2) for use as probes to isolate a clone of the full-length coding sequence for PRO263.

20 PCR primers (two forward and one reverse) were synthesized:

forward PCR primer 1: 5'-GAGCTTTCCATCCAGGTGTCATGC-3' (SEQ ID NO:202);

forward PCR primer 2: 5'-GTCAGTGACAGTACCTACTCGG-3' (SEQ ID NO:203); reverse PCR primer: 5'-TGGAGCAGGAGGAGTAGTAGG-3' (SEQ ID NO:204)

25 Additionally, a synthetic oligonucleotide hybridization probe was constructed from the consensus DNA30914 sequence which had the following nucleotide sequence:

hybridization probe:

5'-AGGAGGCCTGTAGGCTGCTGGGACTAAGTTTGGCCGGCAAGGACCAAGTT-3' (SEQ ID NO:205)

In order to screen several libraries for a source of a full-length clone, DNA from the libraries was screened by PCR amplification with the PCR primer pair identified above. A positive library was then used to isolate clones encoding the PRO263 gene using the probe oligonucleotide and one of the PCR primers.

RNA for construction of the cDNA libraries was isolated from human fetal liver tissue. DNA sequencing of the clones isolated as described above gave the full-length DNA sequence for PRO263 [herein designated as UNQ230 (DNA34431-1177)] (SEQ ID NO:200) and the derived protein sequence for PRO263.

35 The entire nucleotide sequence of UNQ230 (DNA34431-1177) is shown in Figure 73 (SEQ ID NO:200). Clone UNQ230 (DNA34431-1177) contains a single open reading frame with an apparent translational initiation site at nucleotide positions 160-162 of SEQ ID NO:200 and ending at the stop codon after the nucleotide at position 1126-1128 of SEQ ID NO:200 (Figure 73). The predicted polypeptide precursor is 322 amino acids long (Figure 74).